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OSCAR CRINO:

Richmond to meet Kogarah

Richmond High School (Vic) will meet Kogarah High School (NSW) for the Australian championship at Kevin Bartlett Reserve, Richmond, on November 23 at 1 pm.

The two schools won their respective State championships recently.

Richmond's team includes Tobong Nhan Siong who has trained with Portuguese club Benfica.

The Richmond players also include:

ARTHUR HATZIOANNOU (Thomasown Amateurs): fast, skilful right winger, scored both goals in Richmond's victory over Murrumbidgee in the Victorian final.

RATKO BELIC (Footscray J.U.S.T.): versatile left-flank player, brother of J.U.S.T. star Vlatko Belic.

NICK GOURLIAS (Richmond Allemania): hard-working midfielder and regular scorer.



PETER DELENGOS (Richmond Allemania): tremendous pace, can play any position with equal effectiveness.

STANYO TATTO (Richmond Allemania): powerful centre forward, top goalscorer and excellent passer.

NICK ANTHONOPOULOS (Richmond Allemania): big, solid right back, scored two goals in Victorian semi-final.

JIM KATOGLU — reliable right back.

NGUYEN TUAN (Thanh long) — skilful right back or midfielder, perceptive passer.

DRAGAN SERDAR (Richmond Allemania): centre back, very strong in the air.

BILL HATZACOSTAS: goalkeeper, saved two penalties during season.

CHRIS HRONIS (Clifton Hill): left back or midfielder, youngest in the team. Highly skilful, strong in the tackle.

TCHONG NHAN SIONG (Richmond Jaguars): has trained with Benfica. Fast and has all the skills.

• **PICTURED:** Richmond High School, Victorian schools champion, from left, standing: J. Brugman (coach), Arthur Hatzioannou, Ratko Belic, Nick Gourlias, Peter Delengos, Stanyo Tatto, Nick Anthonopoulos, Jim Katoglou, Front: Nguyen Tuan, Dragan Serdar, Bill Hatzacostas, Ila Anastasiou, Chris Hronis, Tchung Nhan Siong. Absent: Mike Bakopoulos.

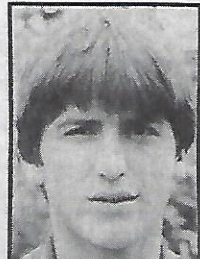
Discovery of the year



RALE RASIC

Many of my fellow coaches said Oscar Crino would never make it as a top-line senior player when I signed him for Hellas from Hong Kong club Tung Sing.

It's quite fascinating therefore to hear them talk about Crino today in gushing superlatives.



Oscar Crino

To me, and to most other lovers of football, Oscar Crino has been the discovery of the season.

I say discovery not because he couldn't play previously — he was, after all, in the 1981 national youth team — but because this was his first season in senior, top-level league football, and he came through it with flying colors.

He's the type of footballer the public of today wants, for he has the ability and the skill to entertain.

Other young players also deserve credit — Suleiman Curovic of Footscray J.U.S.T., for example; Robbie Slater of St. George; Joe Mullen of Adelaide City, and Frank Farina of Canberra.

But Oscar Crino stands a mile above any other player in his age bracket.

I was most disappointed that he wasn't honored by selection to the national squad for the Merlion Cup in Singapore.

As for established senior players, I'd say the best of them this year were Zarko Odzakovic (Makedonia), Dez Marton (St. George), Phil O'Connor (Wollongong) and Joe Watson (Sydney Hakoah).

Of the four, I'd pick Odzakovic as player of the year. He carried the flag of skilful soccer more so than anyone else, and in Australian soccer, he is the most complete individual.

I also congratulate Peter Treddinnick (APIA) who won the Presto Smallgoods player of the year award in Sydney.

Kiakos, Salvo, Mihailidis for Heidelberg

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Con Kiakos, Marcelo Salvo and John Mihailidis are expected to wear the Heidelberg-Alexander colors next year.



Con Kiakos

Kiakos, winner of the 1983 Weinstein Medal as the best junior player in Victoria, will discuss terms with Heidelberg this week.

Salvo, who played for the national youth team this year, will return from the Institute of Sport in Canberra, and already has agreed to join Heidelberg.

Mihailidis played for Heidelberg before joining the Institute. His coach there, Jim Shouler, describes Mihailidis as one of the finest young players he's worked with.

Kiakos, who turns 17 next January, is one of the hottest properties in Victorian soccer but it's unlikely that he'll be snapped up by Heidelberg's arch enemy, South Melbourne Hellas.

"I played in the Hellas juniors in 1980 and I didn't really enjoy myself there. I never got much attention and I found that I was more or less left on my own. The parents there seemed only interested in their own sons. There wasn't the same sort of family atmosphere I experienced at South Oakleigh," said Kiakos.

Kiakos has scored a staggering total of 456 goals in junior and senior league and State games. His tally in junior soccer alone is 112.

Born in Trikala in Greece, he came to Australia with his parents as a nine-year-old.

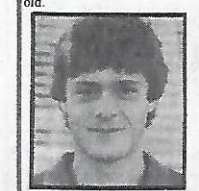
He joined South Oakleigh's under-11's in 1978 and was taught most of his skills by Alex Bouzoulis.

"We always worked with a ball. There was none of this running lap after lap. I was a centre forward then but changed to midfield when I spent a year with Hellas."

Kiakos is well muscled in the legs for such a young player. While he praises Bouzoulis for concentrating on ball work, Kiakos is a fitness fanatic.

"He trains every weekday. After coming home from school and doing his homework, he has a kick around with some pals, then he'll go to a nearby park and work on his ball skills. A five-kilometre run rounds off his private session."

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Marcelo Salvo



John Mihailidis

Dowie, Wade for Davo?

South Melbourne Hellas wants to spend the \$30,000 it hopes to get by selling Alan Davidson, on at least three new players — a striker, full back and midfielder.

So says club president Leo Anzakis.

Anzakis shares the opinion of coach Len McKendry that Davidson is not welcome to return to Hellas (see page 3).

He said that even though Davidson's contract with Hellas extends until the end of 1984, McKendry said "leave him on the bench."

Anzakis said Hellas may make bids for some good State League players, like John Dowie and Sean Keough of Doveton, or Paul Wade and Joe Sweeney of Croydon.

TARGET TANSEY

Forget the speculation that Jim Tansey will leave Heidelberg-Alexander. So says club president Sam Gouloupoulos.

"If I'm re-elected, Tansey will be re-appointed," Gouloupoulos said.

"And if he wants to play as well as coach, I won't stand in his way."

Asked whether there would be a few extra dollars in it for Tansey, Gouloupoulos said: "His contract is up. We'll have to negotiate a new one."

Gouloupoulos and the rest of the committee is delighted with Tansey's results since he took over as coach nine games ago.

During that time, he has won seven and drawn two.

His popularity hit its peak when Heidelberg beat Hellas

in front of a 15,000 crowd in the National Cup semi-final last Sunday.

Heidelberg will meet Sydney Olympic in the final at St. George Stadium on Sunday and Olympic Park on Sunday week.

Tansey said at first he would be leaving Heidelberg next year, but he's since changed his mind, saying he'll stay on as coach if he's offered the right terms.

John Gardiner, formerly of Croatia, previously was linked with the Heidelberg job.

Heidelberg will fly to Sydney probably on Sunday morning, seeking its second

honor in NSL soccer. It won the NSL grand final against Sydney Hakoah in 1980.

And it's Heidelberg's fourth appearance in a final since Gouloupoulos became president. The club lost two Ampol Cup finals — to Hellas and Ajax, and last year's National Cup final to APIA.

LAURIE SCHWAB

Warren returns

Johnny Warren and Doug Collins will form a new partnership to boost Canberra Arrows on and off the field next season.

Collins, who left Marconi two weeks ago after Les Scheinflug was named Marconi's new coach for 1984, takes up the Canberra coaching position vacated by Attila Abonyi who switches to Sydney Croatia.

Warren, who was Canberra's first coach in the NSL in 1977, returns as promotions consultant.

It is his job to boost the club's image and draw more spectators through the gate.

He had a similar job with Sydney City Hakoah.

Abonyi's coached Croatia 1977-79. He succeeds Josip Kuzs.

Germany replaces Greece

Knox City hopes to revive the soccer interest of the fifths when it runs its "World Cup" at Egan Lee Reserve, Knoxfield, from 12 November to 3 December.

It will be similar to the Laidlaw World Cup played in front of crowds of 20,000 — plus from 1950 to 1960.

Players must have been born in the country they represent in the tournament.

Germany replaces Greece, which withdrew because most Greek players will be involved in the Greek Summer Cup.

The Australia team includes Charlie Yankos (Heidelberg), Steve Blair (Hellas), Mike Valentine (Heidelberg) and brothers Ian and Alan Roodhouse (Box Hill).

Peter Ollerton (Makedonia) is player-coach of the England team, Noel Mitten (Morwell Falcons) will play for Ireland and the Scotland team will feature Jimmy Rooney (Croydon), and Rob and Dave Nelson (North Dandenong.)

The draw is:

GROUP A: Germany, South Africa, Yugoslavia, Poland.

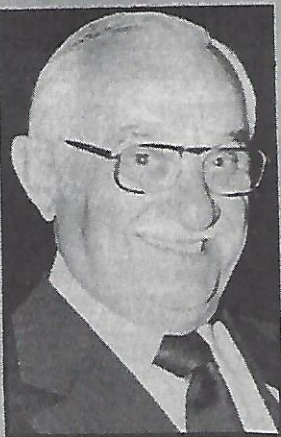
GROUP B: England, Scotland, Turkey, Hispania.

GROUP C: Ireland, Hungary, Argentina, Malta.

GROUP D: Chile, Australia, Holland, Italy.

Scotland was the Laidlaw World Cup champion, winning it three times.

Now that the season is over, fans will have more time to watch home movies. We recommend these videos, available in VHS and Beta. Most are in English; interpreters can be arranged.



Sir Arthur George: beats a conspiracy.

Our movie guide for soccer fans



By ANDREW DETTRE



Tommy Docherty: waiting for his third coming.

THE HOUSE OF WAX. Horror. Juventus of Adelaide talks itself into changing their image into pure Oz-British, shedding their shameful Italian outlook and charisma; switch from pasta to pie, from gelato to jellybeans. When they wake up from their coma they discover that, with all the wax, their support has also melted away.

HOW TO MARRY A MILLIONAIRE. Light-hearted nonsense. Brisbane Lions are getting richer while their crowds are getting smaller; eventually they own most of Queensland including the National Party. To attract spectators they offer their players' hands in marriage to the first spectators who enter the gates.

THUNDERBOLT & LIGHTFOOT. Action. Starring Murray Barnes and Joe Watson getting into all sorts of ticklish situations, fighting back to back against lions, hawks, leopards, giants, rams and other species invented by Dr. Doolittle and later franchised by ASK Marketing.

ANY WHICH WAY YOU CAN. Comedy. Frank Arok pretends to be a tough taskmaster, assuming the role of a grand inquisitor, prodding and whipping his men towards his targets but deep down he is just a gentle soul whose only hobby is breeding new geranium species. In the end he suffers from apoplexy.

FOR A FEW DOLLARS MORE. Action. In fact, court action. Rale ("call me Zvonimir") Basic gives South Melbourne the \$64,000

question and threatens to deport the whole management to a Greek fishing village unless they answer correctly. Later he relents, accepts the ASF presidency and engages Sir Arthur as gear steward.

KISS TOMORROW GOODBYE. Drama. Well brought up, innocent suburban-country club saves and struggles for years to enter the big-time, dreaming of fame and glory. Then, within a year or so, they are caught up in the rat race, fall on hard times, sell all their assets and face the choice of the poorhouse or asylum for the insane. They accept both.

CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG. Comic drama. Stars Sydney identity well known to himself giving amusing impersonations as publicist, journalist, manager, informer, leaker, intriguer and endless source of trivia, some of it true.

INVASION OF THE BODY SNATCHERS. Action. Sydney City commando troops land during the night at Tel Aviv airport, kidnap 2,000 transit passengers peacefully eating their matzo soup, bring them back and chain them to the benches of Athletic Field.

THE ENFORCER. Drama. Stars Tony Bonkovic, carrying a six-shooter, bazooka, a dozen yellow and red cars, a raincoat against Olympic fame and a Serbo-Croatian dictionary explaining to one and all that his name ends in "itch" and not "ick".

TIME AFTER TIME. Romance. Tommy

Docherty arrives, joins Olympic, packs up and leaves never to return. On his second coming he joins Olympic, packs up and leaves never to return. On his third coming...

ALL THE PRESIDENT'S MEN. Thriller. Various ambitious characters plot and plan the overthrow of Sir Arthur. But the veteran knight discovers the conspiracy, rounds up the perpetrators, grins at them three times and they all confess whereupon he is re-elected by unanimous disclamation.

BATTLE OF THE BULGE. Les Scheinflug plays a Todenkopf captain squeezed into his tank for months, badly in need of exercise. When he discovers that he is rapidly gaining weight, he orders his troops to run ten laps around Liechtenstein and announces that the collective weight of the battalion is sharply down.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF. Musical. On top of the grandstand, the Footscray-JUST treasurer counts the number of spectators and, without fail, arrives at the round figure of 1,000 giving rise to deep suspicion that after that quota they shut the gates. Or cannot count.

HANG THEM HIGH. Western. Out at Marconi Ranch sheriff Cool Doug Collins runs a clean town but isn't appreciated by the folks who frame him and at high noon, about 7pm, bang him from the goalpost then ride into the house pitches.

ASSAULT ON FORT KNOX. High action.

South Melbourne Hellas, having spent on new players and coaches all the fortunes of the Rothschilds, the Rockefeller, the Gattys and the Onassis mob, stage a raid on the gold reserves of Ford Knox in order to buy a new winger. Foot Scray and Heldi Berg are arrested as accomplices.

A VOYAGE AROUND MY FATHER. Travogue. Polished all-rounder Bertie Mariani leaves Marconi despite dad becoming club president, under pressure from coach Cool Doug Collins. Later Collins leaves Marconi under pressure from dad's colleagues and Bertie is set to return to club. Subtitles.

THE OLD MASTER. Ex-national coach Goodie Rottendorf seeks revenge over his 1981 voluntary resignation and the judge believes Herr Johann who wins a \$27,000 first prize for getting closer to the truth while the secretary gets chided for his odd dabbings into real estate.

TALL STORY. Horror. APJA Leichhardt officials tell one version to a judge, player Johann Scharman tells another and the judge believes Herr Johann who wins a \$27,000 first prize for getting closer to the truth while the secretary gets chided for his odd dabbings into real estate.

WHAT'S IN A NAME? Comedy. Editor Laurie Schwab fights lonely battle to save original club names from extinction, survives sustained panning from ASF, eventually wins his case when hierarchy relents and allows Hakooth to be called Juventus.

LAZZARI CUP JOINS THE COPPA ITALIA

The 1983 "Coppa Italia" will start on November 5 at the ground of Fawknor Azzurri, Smith Reserve, Jukes Road, Fawknor.

Some matches will be played under lights midweek for the first time.

Another novelty of this year's competition is the incorporation of the "Lazzari Cup" for the under 14 age group, organised with the support of the Juventus Old Boys and the Lazzari family to honour the memory of the late Lou Lazzari, masseur of the national team and Juventus.

The matches of the "Lazzari Cup" will be played as curtain raiser to the "Coppa Italia" and the program is:

GROUP A: Thomastown, Tristina Moonee Ponds, Nunawading United, Batman Lazio.

GROUP B: Bulleen Veneto, Ascot St. Mark, East Carlton, Werribee.

GROUP C: East Brunswick Abruzzo, Westall Inter, Vermont, Carrum Unit.

GROUP D: Fawknor Azzurri, Juventus, Geelong United, Dallas City.

SEMI-FINALS: Winner Group C v winner Group B, winner Group D v winner Group A.

5 NOV: 2.00 pm Fawknor Azzurri v Dallas City, 3.30 pm East Brunswick v Westall Inter, 5.00 pm Werribee v Ascot St. Mark.

6 NOV: 1.30 pm Bulleen Veneto v East Carlton, 3.00 pm Juventus v Geelong United, 4.30 pm Nunawading United v Thomastown.

9 NOV: 7.00 pm Batman Lazio v Tristina Moonee Ponds, 8.30 pm Carrum Unit v Vermont.

12 NOV: 1.30 pm Westall Inter v Vermont, 3.00 pm Thomastown v Tristina Moonee Ponds, 4.30 pm East Carlton v Werribee.

13 NOV: 1.30 pm Bulleen Veneto v Ascot St. Mark, 3.00 pm Geelong United v Fawknor Azzurri, 4.30 pm Juventus v Dallas City.

16 NOV: 7.00 pm Nunawading United v Batman Lazio, 8.30 pm East Brunswick v Carrum Unit.

19 NOV: 1.30 pm Westall Inter v Carrum United, 3.00 pm Thomastown v Batman Lazio, 4.30 pm Vermont v East Brunswick.

20 NOV: 1.30 pm Tristina M.P. v Nunawading United, 3.00 pm Fawknor Azzurri v Juventus, 4.30 pm Werribee v Bulleen Veneto.

23 NOV: 7.00 pm Ascot St. Mark v East Carlton, 8.30 pm Dallas City v Geelong United.

27 NOV: 2.00 pm First Semi-final, 4.00 pm Second Semi-final.

11 DEC: 2.00 pm Final 3rd & 4th place, 4.00 pm Grand Final Coppa Italia.

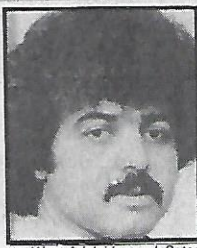
LAZZARI CUP: Batman United, Bulleen, Fawknor, Geelong United, Juventus, Regent, Thomastown, Vermont.

19 NOVEMBER - 10.00 am Regent v Batman, 11.30 am Thomastown v Juventus.

20 NOVEMBER - 10.00 am Geelong United v Fawknor, 11.30 am Vermont v Bulleen.

27 NOVEMBER - 10.00 am First Semi-final, 11.30 am Second Semi-final.

11 DECEMBER - 11.00 am Final.



West Adelaide coach Peter Koulios

West Adelaide Hellas, which just managed to avoid the relegation zone for the third time in four years, will have to spend big over the summer if it is to survive in the restructured NSL.

It was painfully obvious in 1983 that West Adelaide could not hope to cope if it maintains the same squad and adds only one or two inexpensive signings.

And while West officials have been making some grandiose promises, at least in print, that they would pursue some big names - George Christopoulos and Phil O'Connor are two who have been mentioned - they have little hope of securing them.

The main problem is finance, and it would take some convincing to lure players to West Adelaide which was embroiled in controversy throughout the season.

First, Wally Bojczuk, who had joined West from Azzurri, had rejoined Azzurri after an unhappy few months, and then Stewart Blair, also from Azzurri, transferred to Adelaide City without playing a single NSL match with West.

He was transferred in an exchange deal with Chris Maboni, who subsequently spent most of the season in West's State League team while Blair starred with City.

Later the club suspended Paul Wormley and Mick Brennan who had clashed with some spectators.

And then it announced Wormley had been sacked. The Englishman was followed soon after by coach Alan Vest who met with the committee. Both parties decided a split was desirable, and so Vest was replaced by Peter Koulios.

With Vest gone, Brennan and Bill Amey, another Vest signing, also found themselves on the outer.

So what began as a promising season for West ended in disappointment.

West actually led the league for two weeks - rounds four

Strife-torn season for West, and now Crook may leave!



Meno Toutsidis

West had not lost for six weeks (only one win) and victory against Newcastle could have launched a bold bid for the top game.

The game began so well, Graham Heys opened the scoring against his former club after only a few minutes and West looked like they would bolt it.

But Newcastle, which had equalised in the first half, struck three more times in the second half to hand West a 4-1, home thrashing.

That was followed by a 0-3 defeat to APJA and West's season was over.

As for Vest, while he had critics, I always believed he did extremely well with the squad he had.

There is no doubt West fielded players he would have pre-

ferred to have benched, but because of the circumstances he had little option.

Vest coached West for 58 matches - more than double the number of any previous coach.

He remains, in my opinion, one of Australia's premier coaches.

West secured Gary Sproul from Croatia on loan when Martin Crook was injured early in the season.

And when Crook recovered mid-season, Sproul was still preferred after a string of impressive displays.

But clearly, one of them has to go.

My tip is Crook, who still remains one of Australia's best goalkeepers, will move to another club.

But above all, the new coach will have to dig deep into the transfer market for quality.

One player seems certain to join West - Steve Papadopoulos. Polonia's brilliant young striker who has the skill, courage and goal instinct to boost West's strike power.

If he joins the club, he could form a deadly partnership with Graham Heys.

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Alan Davidson (left) challenges Gerardo Gomez of Sydney Hakoah. Coach McKendry doesn't want Davidson back.

'It's him or me,' he says.

McKendry slammed over

threat to 'Davo'

When South Melbourne Hellas coach Len McKendry declared last week that as long as he remained coach, Alan Davidson never again would play for the club, he triggered an angry reaction throughout Australia.

"Soccer Action" phone lines ran hot with callers wanting to comment on the controversy.

And all of them took the side of Alan Davidson! As "Soccer Action" explained, Davidson left last week for trials with Bayern Munich in West Germany, and Arsenal and perhaps West Ham in England.

When he renewed his contract with Hellas early this year, he made it clear in the contract, that he would be leaving for Europe immediately after the last league game of the season.



Len McKendry

himself, and he gave the club something like eight months' notice. You can't be any fairer than that.

"If it had been one of my players, I would have asked him to stay, but if that were not possible, I'd say: Good luck to you, and you're welcome when you get back, because we can't afford to lose players of your calibre."

"I wish Alan all the best." John Payne, former player-coach of Altona City, the club from which Davidson switched to Hellas about five years ago, said:

"McKendry talks of loyalty and moral obligations in regards to Davidson, but in



John Payne

doing so, disregards his own situation.

"If Alan is showing disloyalty and if he is failing to meet his moral obligations in pursuing his ambitions, then how does McKendry justify his own action in leaving Green Gully during the season, in order to switch to Hellas?"

"In so doing, he no doubt was pursuing ambitions of his own. If he doesn't think that he himself was disloyal and on shaky moral ground in doing so, then how can he accuse Davidson?"

"I am Australian-born, just like Alan Davidson, and I am proud of his achievements. I have the highest regard for his character, and I want to say that what Australian soccer needs is more players like him — players good enough to make it overseas and thus boost Australia's reputation world-wide."

Cedo Cirkovic, coach of Fawkner, and former coach of Footscray J.U.S.T., said: "I am very disappointed in McKendry."



Cedo Cirkovic

"It is every young player's dream to play in Europe."

"Look at David Mitchell and Eddie Krncevic. They are big sensations in Europe — and Davidson can do the same. I wish him all the best of luck."

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"He left Green Gully and Croatia, but he criticises Davidson for going on trials that were arranged many months ago."

"Davidson wouldn't let anybody down on purpose. He's a true sportsman. He plays with his heart — and he played for Hellas even though he had bad ankles."

"I spoke to many other coaches, and no-one can believe McKendry's statements in Europe — and Davidson can do the same. I wish him all the best of luck."

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KAT'S CORNER

with PETER KATHOLOS



I was really disappointed by the way South Melbourne Hellas and coach Len McKendry reacted when Alan Davidson left for trials with Bayern Munich, Arsenal and West Ham last week.

McKendry and others said Alan wasn't doing the right thing by Hellas, because he was leaving on the eve of the Cup semi-final against Heidelberg.

Well, McKendry and everyone else knew that Alan would be off after the last round of the competition. He even said so on TV back in June, so in my view, it should not have been a surprise to Hellas when he left.

His tickets had been pre-booked months before, and his accommodation also had been organised in Munich, for his trial with one of the world's greatest clubs.

Now, all that could not be changed just because Hellas was in the Cup semi-final.

Alan has been with Hellas for five years. He's never done anything wrong by the club, he's been completely loyal and he's been their No. 1 player all this time, so I

Carter, Hogg vie for the vacancy

really can't understand McKendry's attitude.

Anyway, in my view, Alan will not be coming back, as he's determined to make it overseas, and for my money, he's good enough to do it.

But he'll certainly be missed in Australian soccer, and he'll leave a big gap in the national team.

With Davidson and David Mitchell both overseas, two vacancies have to be filled in the Soccerex side for the Merlion Cup tournament in Singapore in December.

Steve Hogg (Brisbane Lions) and Paul Carter (APIA) are vying for Davidson's right back position and Marshall Soper (Olympic) and Mark Jankovic (Marconi) are in line for Mitchell's spot up front.

It won't be an easy task defending the Merlion Cup. The players will have to be 100 per cent fit to withstand the sticky tropical conditions, and the competition will be tougher this year because Saudi Arabia and China have been included, and South Korea, as usual, will be a tough customer.

Despite the obstacles how-

ever, I'm sure we'll do Australia proud.

Bad luck, Makedonia

St. George Budapest took the NSL title in what must rate as the most spectacular finish to a competition anywhere.

I feel sorry for Makedonia which led for most of the season. Unfortunately, they came up against Sydney Olympic in the last round, and we just had to salvage some pride for ourselves after our disappointing year. The result: Makedonia lost the game 0-1, and the title as well.

Congratulations, St. George. They've been very consistent all season.

Sydney Hakoah was in the unfamiliar position of runner-up, and Doug Brown is \$1000 richer, as he picks up a cheque from Boral Bricks for having finished as the league's top scorer with 16.

Marshall Soper (Olympic) could have taken the \$1000 had he not missed three sitters against Makedonia.

Lowe hopes to stay with Southampton

by TED SIMMONS

National Youth team striker David Lowe will not return to Australian club soccer next season if he trials successfully next month with English First Division team Southampton.

Lowe left last week with Newcastle United for an American indoor tournament in San Diego and two exhibition matches in Alaska before continuing on to London.

"My one-year contract with Newcastle expires at the end of this season although they have an option to retain my services. But if I satisfy Southampton I would have to play out the rest of the English season which ends late April," he said.

"Ken Kaiser has asked me to think about staying with Newcastle next year but the club has not talked terms yet and if Southampton offers me a contract I will probably accept it."

"This would limit my time in Australia to guest appearances during the short English off-season but I will definitely be available to play in the National team if selected for the World Cup qualifying rounds," said Lowe.

Australian Soccer Federation executive director Brian

Emery confirmed that special steps were being taken to ensure that players who travel overseas will be available for National team recall.

"We have taken this action over the past couple of years since the talent drain began after the 1981 World Youth Championships and it currently applies to David Mitchell in Scotland and Eddie Krncevic in Yugoslavia," he said.

"Next year's contracts for National League will include a standard clause that if a player goes overseas he must be released for National team duty. This would not involve social games but would refer to World Cup and World Youth matches."

"This clause can also be enforced if a player wants to appear for Australia and the club refuses to give permission," added Emery.

David Lowe began his soccer career as a schoolboy at Jersey, in the Channel Islands and has been kicking a ball since he was able to walk.

His family came to Australia ten years ago. "I'm going to England because I want to make it in big-time soccer and establish myself in the English First Division. I want to keep improving, and that's where I can learn about the game," he said.

"I need to learn to play against professional club footballers, the best markers, how to lose them and to get better in the air."

"Heading has never been a strong point in my game and I want to try to copy Kevin Keegan who also is not tall. But he gets into position brilliantly and gets up superbly for a man of his size."

Lowe said there was a marked difference between club training and the sessions he underwent when training with the National Youth team under coach Les Scheinflug.



David Lowe



Rale Rasic

McKendry asked Davidson to delay his trip. Davidson tried. He made phone calls to Germany, but as it turned out, it was too late to change his arrangements. Air fares and accommodation had been booked some weeks previously.

McKendry declared that while Davidson was "legally right" in relation to his contract conditions, he was "morally wrong" in leaving before the semi-final.

He said if the club took Da-



Jim Tansey

vidson back next year, then he, McKendry, would quit.

The strongest reaction came from Hellas's previous coach, Rale Rasic.

"McKendry is putting his head on the chopping block, because Davidson is the biggest asset Hellas has."

"If McKendry refuses to have Davidson back next year, then who will pay out Davidson's contract, which has another year to run?"

"A transfer fee of \$30,000 is stipulated in the contract. If he makes it overseas, then Hellas will get its \$30,000. But if Davidson comes back, I doubt any club in Australia can afford to buy him for such a sum."

"As McKendry doesn't want him, will Davidson sit around twiddling his thumbs and collecting his wages from Hellas nevertheless? Don't forget he's under contract next year, so Hellas has to pay him."

"Davidson is the most professional footballer in Australia, and he made sure that his contract was spot-on."

"The committee agreed to his terms and conditions early this year — and they included Davidson going overseas after the last league match of the season."

"Davidson has done nothing wrong. It will be interesting to see which of the two — Davidson or McKendry — will be leaving the club next year."

Jim Tansey, player-coach of Heidelberg-Alexander, said: "Davidson's gone to better



Cedric Cirkovic

Hird Juve's best

Loft back Harry Hird (pictured) was named Juventus player of the year at the Victoria State League club's presentations last week.

Hird joined Juventus from Altona City.

Juventus's best clubman trophy went to Billy Rogers.

Andrew Zinni was the most improved player, and also was joint top scorer, along with Fabio Incantolupo.

Juventus leaves for Bali on November 2 to compete in the Garuda Cup.



Billy Rogers

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IN FOCUS

Four-nation series gets top award

by PETER SCOTT

And now, what you have all been waiting for with bated breath: My year's-end awards.

Promotion of the year: The ASF's four-nation international tournament this month.

Musical Chairs Champion of the Year: Doug Collins.

Administrators of the Year: Sydney Olympic's committee.

Public Relations Coup of the Year: The NSL and its member clubs for regularly "forgetting" to invite media people to press conferences.

Image Problem of the Year: Sydney Hakoah's leadership, who tried everything to kill off a great team and then blamed the fans for taking their word for it.

Schizophrenia Award: To Manly Soccer Club in Sydney for its stout and principled opposition to the revamping of the NSL, followed immediately by equally determined attempts to gain membership of it.

Hot Air Award: To erstwhile Olympic coach Tommy Docherty, now thankfully departed from our midst, who was an abject failure on the field and managed to generate

more adverse publicity and derogatory comments about his fellow coaches and other teams in a few short months than everybody else put together in the past ten years.

Back to Earth Award: To the NSW judge in the Schramm vs APJA-Leichhardt case, who forcibly brought home the point that contracts are legally binding documents, even where they concern soccer players.

Chameleon Award: To South Melbourne Hellas, dreadful one day, championship contenders the next.

Coma Award: To Victorian soccer clubs who are still chasing that elusive first title in the NSL with the best part of a decade gone.

Bandit of the Year Award: To the NSL Management Committee for hijacking the Playoff of the Year Award which was conceived, created and initiated by the Australian Soccer Press Association (ASPA).

Prize of the Year: ASPA, for allowing the NSL to get away with it.

Psychologist of the Year: Frank Arok, who managed to convince everybody about the weaknesses and shortcomings of St George Budapest, right up until the day when it won the NSL championship.

Guru of the Year: Eddie Thomson of Sydney city Hakoah, for making his players believe that their performance mattered, even as the Hakoah Club's directors were trying hard to put the team out of the soccer business.

Man of the Year: The Australian soccer fan, who keeps coming back year after year, in spite of everything.

Diplomacy lacking

Never famous for being a great diplomat, ASF president Sir Arthur George took the opportunity to display his lack of tact once again at the 'Sydney Daily' Mirror-Presto Smallgoods 1983 Soccer Superstar presentation dinner the other night.

In his usual monologue on such occasions, which he presumably undertakes to motivate the "troops" and explain away the latest shortcomings in his administration, he painted a picture of growth, development and public recognition for soccer.

Quite inspiring, except that we have heard it so often before, without very much being achieved in the development areas targeted at regular intervals by Sir Arthur.

The ASF's rather transient mob of expert consultants. He did venture the comment that the time has arrived for many of the old faces in soccer's administration to fade from the scene — himself not included, of course, as he openly stated.

Then he pointed out with glowing pride that Les Schreinfug is the first "non-political" appointment to the national coaching job.

Wonder what Rale Rasic and Jim Shouler, who were present at the function, and "Uncle Joe" Vlasits and Tiko Jelisavcic, who weren't would think about that.

Then, for good measure, the irrepressible tycoon explained that occasions such as the Presto dinner are excellent opportunities for those at the top, such as a President of the Soccer Federation, to communicate with those on the "ground floor".

Rats! Here I was thinking that I may have climbed up to the mezzanine, at least.

Rules and referees

Ruminating over the disgusting incident which put Diego Maradona out of football for months, I spent some time trying to work out what, if anything, can be done to put a stop to the careers of the "butchers" in our sport.

I might say here that the NSL is fortunately pretty clean in this respect.

However, it is a fact of Australian life that the latest "fashions" overseas, sooner or later reach our shores.

And players, past and present, are starting to speak up.

The legendary Pele bluntly stated on French TV recently that "the growth of brutality in soccer can only be reversed by some rule changes".

Hungary's Torocsik, after an injury which put him out for months, expressed his amazement that "another professional player would set out to deliberately cripple me, when he knows that this is my livelihood and I would want to continue to play for at least a few more years".

He went beyond that simple statement, though, by saying he can't understand how referees can allow such incidents to happen and go unpunished.

And this is the crux of the matter.

If the cancerous spread of deliberate attempts at maiming is not to take hold in Australia, our referees must, as a body, determine now that rough and unruly behaviour of a kind which could cause injury is to be immediately punished by the flash of a red card.

No finger wagging, no cautions and yellow cards. Early showers!

WHITEWASH!

Heidelberg maintains perfect Cup record against Hellas



Laurie Schwab

HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER
3 (Cole 35th & 53rd, Lea 39th) **SOUTH MELBOURNE**
HELLAS 2 (Yzendoorn 88th pen, & 83rd), National Cup semi-final at Olympic Park. Crowd about 15,000 (triple header). Referee: Don Campbell (SA) 8. Sent off: Wooddin (SM) 81st; cautions: McKie Spanos, Macleod (H), Brown (SM).

HEIDELBERG: Oliver 8 — McKie 7, Yankos 9, Macleod 9, Spanos 8 — Selemidis 7, Campbell 8, Valentine 9 — Cole 9, Lea 8, Patterson 7. Coach: Jim Tansey

HELLAS: Laumets 7 — Russell 8, Blair 9, Yzendoorn 8, Halford 7 — Murphy 8, Crino 8, Wooddin 7 (sent off 81st) — Egan 6, Brown 8, Buljevic 7. Coach: Len McEnderby

Heidelberg-Alexander maintained its Cup dominance over Hellas with exhilarating, energetic soccer and some powerhouse attacking play by Gary Cole, to storm into the National Cup final against Sydney Olympic.

Heidelberg has won every one of its five National Cup games against Hellas since the competition started in 1977.

It beat Hellas on penalties to break a scoreless deadlock after extra time last year, and won 2-1 in 1980, 1979 and 1978.

The two did not meet in 1977, when Hellas was knocked out by Moorook, while Heidelberg reached the semi-finals where it lost 2-3 to Marconi.

Heidelberg got as far as the Cup final in 1980 and last year. It was a two-legged final in 1980, when Heidelberg drew 0-0 with Marconi but then lost 0-3 last year, it lost the final 1-2 to APJA after leading.

Last Sunday, Heidelberg looked set to run up an embarrassing score. It led 3-0 after 53 minutes and had missed at least two other good chances, while Hellas had had only one real chance — missed by Charlie Egan after Doug Brown had done the lead-up work.

It was only a penalty and a semi-goal that gave Hellas a respectable score. Both of its goals came in the first three minutes, when Hellas was down to 10 men.

Steve Wooddin, playing in midfield, was sent off in the 81st minutes for kicking Ian McKie.

Heidelberg displayed tremendous confidence and enthusiasm from the start.

Coach Jim Tansey — who left himself on the bench —

GREEN GULLY AJAX 2 (Kremers 88th, Ghira 108th) **THOMASTOWN 1** (Coco 7th) after extra time, score at full time 1-1. Armstrong Cup final at Olympic Park, first game of a triple bill.

GREEN GULLY AJAX: McKenna 6 — Maxwell 6, Kremers 6, Kurbasa 5, Grech 7, De Gabriello 6 (Bozzani 95th), Mancini 6, Kusman 6, Campbell 5 (Camilleri H.T. 7) — Lewis 6, Ghira 6.

THOMASTOWN: Di Masi 9 — Ciccone 7, Angnostov 7, Baldo 8, Crup 7, Evallaro 6, Coco 6, Constantinou 5, Griffith (inj), Krajovski 20, Campobasso 98th) — Carfiora 8, Alizzi 7.

Thomastown's Constantinou and Tavolaro have a lot to answer for. With just seven minutes separating the Second Division outfit from an upset win, they both blew chances to set up central striker Alizzi for what surely would have been a triumph for the Italian-backed club.

Thomastown opened the scoring in the 7th minute and was by far the better team in the first half. Ajax fought back as the minutes ticked away in the second half but Thomas-



The jubilant men of Heidelberg-Alexander, from left, top: Jim Campbell, Ian McKie, Derek Lea, Don Macleod, front: Jeff Oliver, Gary Cole, Charlie Yankos, Theo Selemidis, Jim Tansey John Spanos.

gave no thought to putting specialists markers on Egan and Berown, the way most other teams do when they face Hellas.

Instead, they were left to whatever defenders happened to be closest to them, and it worked fine.

In fact, centre backs Charlie Yankos and Don Macleod were quite inspirations. Macleod displayed awesome power in the air, and in fact, played a part in the third goal, scored by Cole after Macleod had headed the ball down.

The midfield was dominated by the No. 6 shirt worn by Mike Valentine, who figured in almost every Heidelberg move.

And up front, Gary Cole was back at his best, scoring twice and playing some delightful passes — notably a crossfield ball to Scott Patterson which was sweet to behold.

Steve Blair performed near miracles in Hellas's defence, and Bobby Russell also threw himself about fearlessly, but none could keep out Gary Cole who also laid on Derek Lea's goal.

Doug Brown battled valiantly up front but unfortunately, when Branko Buljevic laid on a perfect scoring chance with a deft square pass, Brown shot across goal.

Oscar Crino also deserves praise for his tireless midfield play. Brown and Crino looked the only players capable of achieving anything for Hellas.

And so Heidelberg remains undefeated in nine matches under coach Jim Tansey. Make that 11 matches, for Heidelberg is almost certain to win both legs of the final, at St George Stadium on Sunday, and in Melbourne the following Sunday.



Ron Kremers of Ajax, with the Armstrong Cup

town goalkeeper Di Basi was impassable. In the 83rd minute, Thomastown should have wrapped up the match.

Constantinou broke down the left. He raced into the Ajax area with Alizzi near the penalty spot and completely unmarked but Constantinou opted to shoot from the angle and Ajax goalkeeper McKenna tipped over.

Two minutes later Tavolaro got space on the right of the Ajax area. Again Alizzi was near the penalty spot. Again he was unmarked. Again Thomastown suffered due to selfish play. Tavolaro shot wide.

But it would be unfair to give all the credit to Tansey, as he has been coaching Heidelberg in partnership with Cole — and what a partnership it's been.

The team has been getting stronger week by week while Hellas slipped, drawing with APJA and Brisbane Lions and finally losing to Heidelberg.

Tansey probably is right when he jokes that had the league gone a little longer, Heidelberg would have won it by Christmas.

Heidelberg started Sunday's match full of verve and energy, but it took 21 minutes to bring the first save from Peter Laumets — a powerful volley by Jim Campbell, which the goalkeeper punched away twice.

Cole blasted a high shot over Laumets into the net for the first goal, after a throw-in by Valentine.

In the 36th minute, a bouncing header by Blair after a corner from Brown, bounced off the crossbar, and three minutes later Heidelberg scored again, to the delight of its fans.

Campbell got the ball to Cole, he headed it on to Lea and Lea headed it past Laumets who was standing right in front of him, against the post.

With half time only seconds away, Hellas launched a promising assault on goal, starting, with a short corner by Brown. The Heidelberg defence was in.

Heidelberg supporter Margaret Maunton broke out in poetry over her team's victory.

She wrote:

This player-coach is quite a change
And now father Sam is really happy.
We can at last enjoy our Monday.

disarray as Egan moved in for the kill, but Oliver got down for a desperate save.

Eight minutes into the second half, and Heidelberg led 3-0.

Yankos sent a long free kick to Macleod, he headed it down and Cole first-timed a volley into the far top corner.

Wooddin was sent off with nine minutes to go, as Hellas stormed forward, taking advantage of the space conceded by Heidelberg, which was content now to rest on its laurels.

Crino and Brown probed and probed, and Brown it was who won that penalty over what referee Campbell ruled was a push by Macleod. Yzendoorn converted the penalty with a minute to go it was Yzendoorn again who shot on a pass from Buljevic.

It was a powerful shot, which had Oliver beaten. McKie, trying to clear, connected with it on the line and managed only to turn it in — but although it could be termed an own goal, it would have gone in anyway, so let's credit it to Yzendoorn.

Tansey was pleased with the performance.

"The penalty was a very dubious decision but in all, we proved ourselves as good a side as Hellas despite our team having cost a lot less," he said.

Club president Sam Gouloupoulos said: "Hellas didn't create a clear-cut chance, and scored only eight goals."

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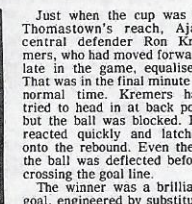
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Thomastown blows it, Ghira's winner



Ron Kremers of Ajax, with the Armstrong Cup

Just when the cup was in Thomastown's reach, Ajax central defender Ron Kremers, who had moved forward late in the game, equalised.

That was in the final minute of normal time. Kremers had tried to head the ball back post but the ball was blocked. He reacted quickly and latched onto the rebound. Even then, the ball was deflected before crossing the goal line.

The winner was a brilliant goal, engineered by substitute Bezzani down the right and finished spectacularly by Ghira with a first time volley on the turn from 15 metres.

That goal came in the 18th minute of extra time and by then Thomastown had found the fitter Ajax a handful.

But the early exchanges in this match were far different propositions. It was underdog Thomastown which showed Ajax how to get forward and how to create chances. Coco opened the scoring in the 7th minute after the ball had shot across the face of the Ajax goalmouth three times and Tavolaro miskicked from just eight metres in the 35th minute.

Thomastown keeper Di Basi was superb. Especially in the second half when Ajax poured

on the pressure. Time and again he pulled off superb saves to keep his side ahead and when Ajax finally struck, he was blameless.

Let me finish by changing the subject. I want to talk about bird shit and Albert Merrills.

The seats in Olympic Park's grandstand were in disgusting condition. Millions were poured into the upgrading of this fine stadium for the 1981 World Youth Cup yet the seats in the grandstand seem to be a pigeons' rather than a soccer patron's paradise.

I don't know what Albert Merrills is during big games at Olympic Park. I do know that he isn't a referee. Why he should stand on the sideline at the end of normal time and at half time of extra time in the Armstrong Cup final, demanding that players change over and kick off immediately, mystifies me. I always thought that the man in black was in charge.

I've seen Mr. Merrills kicking children off the field and the running track. Come to think of it, that may be his job. Yes, that's it. That's what he's there for. He's not in charge of games.

—CRAIG MACKENZIE

Koussas inspires Olympic

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 2 (Koussas 15th, Patikas 21st) MARCONI 1 (McCulloch 40th), National Cup semi-final at St George Stadium. Crowd: about 3,500. Referee: J. Reeves (Newc) 6.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Major 9, Phillips 6, Coady 8, Dakos 8, Herbert 6, Jennings 7, Koussas 8, Patikas 8, Katholos 6, Soper 6, Patalis 5 (Kalandis 8th). Coach: Manfred Schofer.

MARCONI: James 7, Djordjevic 8, Bozanic 7, Henderson 8, Calderon 7, Carbone 5 (Winn 62nd, Sermani 7, McCulloch 7, Brown 6, Jankovics 6, Licata 5. Coach: Tony Henderson.

Sydney Olympic squeezed into the National Cup final with a scrappy win over luckless Marconi at St George stadium on Sunday.

Olympic led 2-0 after just 20 minutes and decided to sit back and defend, trying to hit Marconi on the break.

Indeed, when Mark Koussas who had a fine match — and Jim Patikas sent Olympic fans wild with delight with two

Micevski best

Former Soccer Mike Micevski was named Altona Gate's Player of the Year at a packed presentation night in Newport (Vic) last Saturday.

Altona Gate, backed by the Macedonian community, is a leading candidate for one of the four vacancies caused in the Victorian State League by the enlargement of the NSL.

Other candidates include St. Albans Dinamo, Thomastown, Shepparton, Broadmeadows and relegated Ringwood Wilhelmina.

Micevski won Altona Gate's top award, from runner-up Stefan Trajkovski, and third-placed Fred Beller.

He played six games for Australia — against Legia Warsaw (twice), Glasgow Rangers (twice), Manchester United and China, in 1975.

Micevski started with the Altona City juniors. He then played State League soccer for Hakoah, switched to Marconi, and then to Heidelberg-Alexander, but his career was interrupted by a troubling foot injury.

He also trialled with Bielefeld in West Germany.

— LAURIE SCHWAB

early goals, Marconi looked a well beaten side.

However, Marconi fought back and should have scored three goals before the half time interval. Mark Jankovics hit the post in the 21st minute and Tom McCulloch missed with just Gary Meier to beat in the 43rd minute. Nevertheless, Marconi did pull a goal back in the 40th minute.

Attilio Carbone, beat the offside trap then crossed for Jankovics at the far post. Jankovics' shot was mistimed but the ball rolled to McCulloch who scored from two metres out.

Let's look at Olympic's whirling dervish. Terry Patlis sent in a low cross from the right in the 15th minute. Tony Henderson missed with what should have been a simple clearance and the ball fell for Koussas who turned sharply then struck a hard, low shot from 12 metres past Bruce James and it into the far corner.

Olympic fans still were roaring their approval when Patikas made it 2-0 Marconi got caught too far forward and Olympic broke quickly down the left flank. A long Peter Katholos ball found Koussas who went inside his opponent then saw Patikas making a great run into the Marconi area. Koussas played the ball of the match, a 40 metre pass dropping just over the head of the last defender, and into Patikas, who controlled well then stroked it past the advancing James.

Within a minute Marconi should have hit back. Jankovics got through, but watched in agony as his shot struck the upright.

Marconi's 40th minute goal came when it capitalised on a poor piece of linesmanship. At least two Marconi players looked to be in offside positions but the linesman was out of position and waved play on. Carbone motored into the Olympic area then crossed to Jankovics who unwittingly set up McCulloch to make it 2-1.

With two minutes left in this half Henderson headed just over from a Rene Licata corner.

Then came the best chance of the match for Marconi. McCulloch ran onto a Brown through ball and only was confronted by Meier but McCulloch miskicked, allowing Olympic to go in at the break with a 2-1 lead.

The second half was an even affair. Marconi tried hard to take the game into extra time but despite positive build-ups and good opportunities, the scoreline remained unchanged.

Patalis, Marshall, Soper and Patikas had the best chances for Olympic while Tom Sermani, Brown and Jankovics had chances for Marconi. Marconi's last chance, with just four minutes left, fell to Jankovics after a Licata corner was headed back into the Olympic goalmouth but Jankovics headed firmly but straight Meier.

So, the season is over for Marconi, and what a fine

season it's been for Sermani, Henderson and lately Djovan Djordjevic, who has revelled since being switched back to full back. While McCulloch showed great fight and creativity against Olympic, the Marconi front runners were a bitter disappointment to the Italian fans.

Olympic must thank Meier for this fine win. His save to deny Brown in the 73rd minute ranks as one of the saves of the season.

Tony Dakos and Mike Coady showed great strength at the back while Koussas had a fine match, opening the scoring and laying on the second goal for Patikas.

Olympic fans however, are a strange lot. They kept turning toward the press box in imploring fashion each time referee Reeves from Newcastle made baffling decisions. God knows what powers these fans have suddenly invested in a group of humble soccer writers.



Makedonia's player of the year Zarko Odzakov (centre) with runner-up Gordon Flavell (left) and top scorer Claude Lucchesi. Picture by DIMCE DAMEVSKI.

Odzakov tops

Preston mayor David Sheldon announced plans for improvements to Connor Reserve at Makedonia's presentation night last Friday.

Zarko Odzakov was named Makedonia's player of the year, and Gordon Flavell the most consistent player.

Cr. Sheldon said Makedonia would be given a 20-year lease of Connor Reserve.

But he said if the club wanted a grandstand then the club itself would have to finance it — perhaps by selling its present social club premises and incorporating the social club in the new grandstand.

Meanwhile, though, the council will provide concrete terracing, covered on the western side of the ground.

Voting in Makedonia's player award:
24. Odzakov, 22. Flavell, 19. Opsavins, 16. Petrovski, 14. Jonas, 12. McMillan, 11. Campbell, Lucchesi, Ward, 10. Ollerton, 9. Todorovski, 8. Wilson, 1. Livingstone.

NSL clubs get vote, Metro has new name

The structure and administration of the Victorian Soccer Federation is set for sweeping changes in the 1985 season, as a result of last Thursday night's annual general meeting.

In what VSF secretary George Wallace said was a "remarkable show of unanimity," the club delegates voted to give the Victorian NSL clubs voting rights equivalent to half the combined total votes of the Metropolitan League clubs.

The National League clubs also gained two seats on the VSF board of management at the State League clubs' expense, making the new structure of the board: two NSL delegates, four State League, two Metropolitan, one independent, and a chairman.

The Metropolitan League moved to have its representation on the board increased to three members, but the motion, put forward by Nunawading City, Waverley City, Mooroolbark and St. Albans, was defeated.

By LES SHORROCK

However, the Metropolitan League succeeded in getting its name changed to the Victorian League for 1985.

Under the VSF's constitution, resolutions passed at the AGM come into force after the following year's AGM, meaning that the board for next year will be the same as for this year, but probably the National League clubs will be allowed two observers at board meetings.

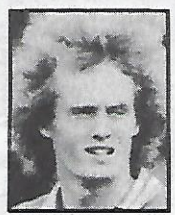
The VSF now awaits the decision of the NSL screening committee, to be announced on November 5, as to the four clubs selected to play in the Southern Division.

When they are known, the VSF's own selection committee will set about promoting four other clubs to the State League, and there will be a general reshuffle right through the eight divisions of the Metro and Provisional Leagues.

One other club will also have to be promoted to the Metro First Division to replace Frankston City, which was expelled from the Federation at the start of this season.

WOLVES TO CUT PAY BY HALF

Wollongong's players have been told their wages next year will be cut by 50 percent — and they don't like it at all!



Roy Cotton

The Wolves board has informed its 14 contracted players to leave the club in the off season in search of better conditions.

Club secretary John Vlietstra said the club understood the players' position but the 50 percent cut was inevitable.

The Wolves expect several players to leave the club in the off season in search of better conditions.

"Unfortunately our position does not allow us to spend as much money on payments," Vlietstra said.

"And we have given our players permission to speak with other clubs which may be ready to offer them more money."

The Wolves still owe their players an undisclosed amount in outstanding wages.

The players have been told they will get the money as soon as it is available.

With this situation prevailing, Wollongong will find it hard to hang on to its two "golden" strikers, Phil O'Connor and Roy Cotton, even though no official approach has been made for them by any club so far.

Cotton, joint club top-scorer with O'Connor with 12 goals, has declared he cannot see any future with the club for which he has played the past two seasons.

"There's no way I'm going to play for the Wolves under those conditions," Cotton said.

"I'm a professional player and I will not accept a 50 percent cut." — PHILIP MICALLEF



Croatia, after winning the Dockerty Cup. Back row: George Radman, Ante Bilaver, Tony Curcio, Drago Deankovic, George Hannah, Peter Blasby, Sean Parton, Keith Adams, Viado Prsa, Eddie Musafervic. Front row: Rob McRae, Jozo Antolovic, Steve Gojevic, Josip Biskic, Tommy Cumming, David Brogan, Marty Bozic, Jeff Faulkner, Ossie Latif. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

Poor Box Hill outclassed as Croatia takes Cup

MELBOURNE CROATIA 4 (Parton 9th, 57th, Cumming 26th, Latif (66th) BOX HILL 0. Dockerty Cup final at Olympic Park, Sunday. Third game of a triple bill. Crowd: about 6,000.

MELBOURNE CROATIA: Blasby 7 — Curcio 7, Adams 8, Parton 8, Hannah 8, Biskic 7 (Deankovic 70th), Antolovic 7, Faulkner 7, Gojevic 7 — Cumming 7 (Latif 65th), Brogan 7. Coach: Tommy Cumming.

BOX HILL: McKinlay 5 — I. Roodhouse 6, Brownlie 5, Lawler 6, A. Roodhouse 7, Ramos 5 (Ing. Azopardi 70th), Miranda 6, Hughes 5, McDonald 7 — Verecchia 5, Priestley 6. Coach: Bill Murray.

Melbourne Croatia outplayed and outclassed Box Hill and barely broke a sweat as it cantered to a comfortable 4-0 win in the Dockerty Cup final.

Box Hill was woeful. It was well out of its depth and wasn't even able to extend Croatia which became lazy as the second half dragged on. Questions have to be raised about the commitment of some Box Hill players.

Not so Alan Roodhouse and wee Matt McDonald. They battled their hearts out right to the final whistle.

But what about the carefree fashion in which the Hillmen went about their marking duties? I'm not used to seeing big

centre halves in Cup finals stroll into the opposition area then finding themselves unmarked with either simple headers or shots to effect. I'm sure Croatia's Sean Parton must have thought all his birthdays had come at once.

Big Parton scored twice, both from headers, and should have notched his hat-trick with ease but he missed a simple clearance shot early in the match.

And it was early in the match that Box Hill threw away any slim hope it had.

You've got to hold Croatia for the first half hour and hope that a few breaks go your way. You don't give Croatia players acres of space inside your own penalty area. Plainly, Box Hill has to learn these lessons.

Croatia had to settle for just one goal in the first 15 minutes. It should have scored three.

A long throw-in by George Hannah on the left in the 9th minute was headed on at the near post by Steve Gojevic and Parton headed in at the far post. Box Hill's marking was a disgrace.

Three minutes later Tommy Cumming hooked the ball back high from the right of the area to Gojevic. Now, the teenage Croatia winger was six metres out, plumb in front, with no defender in sight. Fortunately for the Hillmen, Gojevic's first time volley was mistimed and misdirected.

In the 14th minute it was Parton's turn once more. By now Box Hill's marking was reaching comic proportions but Gojevic again it was let off the hook. Parton was six metres out, right in front, but shot a la

Alan Roodhouse was marking Cumming and Donald Brownlie was marking David Brogan. Croatia didn't bother going for man marking. It probably regards that tactic as somewhat belittling right now in light of its recent efforts. Let them worry about us, is Croatia's present philosophy.

Croatia went 2-0 ahead in the 26th minute and Box Hill was finished.

A long ball was headed against a defender by Brogan who reacted quickly to stroke the rebound into Cumming's path. Cumming's low, first time shot from 12 metres easily beat John McKinlay.

A word about McKinlay. I've seen him have better games. I hardly remember him making contact with any high ball which drew him off his line.

But 12 minutes into this half, Parton scored a simple goal to make it 3-0. Josip Biskic's corner to the near post was headed on by Brogan and Parton, almost standing on the goal line near the far post and completely unmarked, headed in.

Paul Priestley sent Ian Roodhouse down the right in the 63rd minute but Blasby did well to intercept Roodhouse's cut back which was heading for Peter Verecchia.

Ossie Latif replaced Cumming in the 65th minute. A minute later Latif had his first touch and scored.

A superb interpassing move on the right involving Keith Adams, Biskic and Jozo Antolovic ended with Adams crossing. Gojevic headed on and Brogan's attempt to score from the far post was well blocked by McKinlay but the fall fell to Latif who poked it in from four metres.

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Cannibalism rife among coaches

We do have some problems in soccer. Many of them are self-inflicted.

One is the apparent total lack of ethics among the so-called coaching fraternity.

Like vultures gliding over likely victims in the jungle, some coaches begin their positioning for the new season around this time of the year.

They often are seen at the matches of teams struggling, neatly dressed, alert and with that available look on their faces greeting, solicitously, various officials as if to say: "I am around, I'm keen, make me an offer — I can turn this mob into a Bayern Munich in three months."

Even worse are those who brashly contact clubs offering their services for next season — to clubs who still have a coach.

Doug Collins, Marconi's supremo, is bitter about the scramble that was going on, behind his back, for his post.

"I know of at least three coaches who applied for my job — and I was still the Marconi coach. One of the applicants coaches another Sydney NSL Club, yet he had the cheek to offer himself."

"And they did this when they knew that Marconi was still in the Cup and we had to concentrate on football."

"I would never apply for a position when a man is still in charge. But here, in Australia, anything goes."

Rale Rasic is equally cheese off with the jungle ethics of his chosen profession.

"Weeks before I got the sack, I heard rumors that South Melbourne was negotiating with Len McKendry."

"I wouldn't believe it, I said it's just idle Greek gossip. Then it happened, they fired me and Len was appointed, under strong pressure from some players."

Oddly enough, Les Scheinflug was named as the next Marconi coach — with one round to go.

The oddity lies in the fact that Les is still the fulltime national coach and won't know for sure whether the ASF will retain him or not, until November 5.

If they do — will Marconi recall Collins?

Scheinflug did very well with Marconi during his last stint there: in 1980 they even won the National (Philips) Cup.

Then, for reasons never explained, he failed to have his contract renewed. Now, equally mysteriously, he's back in favor.

Meanwhile, there is wild speculation about the next assignment of Rale Rasic, while Attila Aboni has left Canberra to join Croatia.

Then what about APFA and Olympic? Despite all sorts of assurance by club officials, rank and file members openly discuss the possibility of Fil Botalico and Manfred Schaefer being replaced.

Will Rasic go to APFA?

★ ★ ★
Meanwhile, on November 14 we will know who is elected as Coach of the Year by the pressmen.

This time last year I said in a story in "Soccer Action" that Frank Arok would gain this honor — and he did, narrowly beating Eddie Thomson.

Frankly, I cannot see anybody dethroning Arok who should repeat his 1983 triumph.

He not only brought immense stability to St George Budapest — which late 1981 was contemplating a disbanding of pro soccer — but produced one of the most successful teams in the NSL with-

THE ANDREW DETTRE COLUMN



Eddie Thomson — overcame enormous problems

out adding a single senior player to his squad in 1984!

In fact, he shed quite a few: Lajos Koritar, Les Lorinc, Dave Rylands, Denis Duarte, Billy Griffiths and John Davies, replacing them with raw youngsters.

Once again, Eddie Thomson should run a big race for the award: this season he worked under extreme difficulties yet kept his team near the top.

As late as January Sydney Hakoah was an unlikely starter in the League, due to the mother club Hakoah's decision to withdraw its financial support.

Then the decision was reversed — and the team began its campaign against a backdrop of doom and gloom.

To make matters worse, it lost Patrickas, Spanos and then Mitchell.

Peter Ollerton will have some supporters too, for having moulded Preston Macedonia into a top outfit, not to mention Ken Kaiser who, with very limited financial resources, built a successful Newcastle.

Len McKendry did remarkably well with South Melbourne Hellas — but spent less than half the season with the club while Doug Collins laid the foundations for a new-look Marconi and certainly deserves credit for that.

The others performed with fluctuating fortunes — and this is probably the kindest thing one can say about most.

But there is one more name that should be mentioned: Lubo Gokovic whose Sydney Hakoah kids ran away with the Youth League title in NSW.

Last year he finished the season brilliantly with Olympic — then had to move over for Docherty. Now he succeeded again with the young Hakoah; Gokovic is sure to be noticed one day by a major club.



Newcastle KB United, from left, standing: Gary Watson, David Jones, Peter Burke, Clint Gosling, Mike Boogard, Bob Mountford. Front: Grant Lee, Bernard Kirby, David Lowe, Craig Mason, Howard Tedinnick, Joe Senkalski.

Newcastle United players could earn their biggest-ever bonus during a short tour of the United States and Alaska.

The team left last week to take part in a four-team indoor championship at San Diego and then flies to Anchorage, Alaska, for two exhibition matches.

Prizemoney for the indoor tournament ranges from first prize of \$25,000 to \$10,000 for fourth place and a guarantee of \$10,000 has been confirmed for the Alaskan games.

"All of the players contributed \$400 each towards the fares to San Diego and helped raise the remainder of the money after being told the visit could not be financed by the club," said coach Ken Kaiser.

KB goes for \$35,000

"Their outlay will be covered by fourth prize money from San Diego and with the Alaskan money they stand to earn at least \$500. The tour has nothing to do with the club but the directors gave us permission to negotiate with the Americans."

Newcastle will be matched against the North American indoor champions, San Diego Sockers, another strong indoor team, the Golden Bay Earthquakes and the Swedish indoor champions Haaken.

"We could provide the Americans with a surprise when we play. Although

the team doesn't compete in an indoor competition some of the players have been quite brilliant in training at the University of Newcastle over the past three weeks," said Kaiser.

Joe Senkalski and David Lowe have quickly picked up the skill while Peter Burke has played indoor in England. If we can pull off the big one it will be a fitting reward for the players.

"At the beginning of the season we were never tipped to run anywhere and finishing fifth in the National League reflects great credit on the play-

ers. They will share whatever we win on this tour."

"It will be extremely cold in Anchorage but there has been a lot of publicity about the exhibitions and they should attract a good crowd," said Kaiser.

"The invitation was teleaxed to Newcastle after the Alaskan organisers read about our visit and that the San Diego games were going to be shown on cable television."

The Alaskan organiser has guaranteed to pay air fares and accommodation expenses to fly Newcastle from San Diego to Anchorage as well as the exhibition fee.

Kaiser added that on return, Newcastle planned to enter a youth and senior team in the University of Newcastle indoor tournament which is played during the summer.



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Front: J. Liakopoulos, J. Tsolokidis, A. Xanthopoulos, J. Voulgaris, J. Soumalidis, A. Terzakis, P. Petridis.

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SCORERS AND STARS OF '83



Hellas goalkeeper Peter Laumets plucks the ball from the head of Gary Phillips (Olympic).

Joe Watson of Sydney Hakoah equalled the record held by West Adelaide Hellas goalkeeper Martyn Crook in being named in "Soccer Action's" Team of the Year for the fifth team in seven years.

Crook was named in the team in successive years from 1977 to 1981.

Watson made it in 1977, '80, '81, '82 and '83.

Next with four appearances is Jim Hermiston, who played for Brisbane City and Brisbane Lions.

The Team of the Year appears on pages 8 and 9.

Below are all best player votes gained in the Boral Bricks "Soccer Action" Player of the Year award, won by Phil O'Connor of Wollongong.

Winner of the Boral Bricks top scorer award was Doug Brown of SM-Hellas.

Preston Makedonia, which led the league for much of the season, until St George took the title in the last round, polled the most votes in the Boral Bricks award.

Makedonia had a total of 363.

Totals for other clubs:	
APIA-LEICHHARDT.....	357
SOUTH MELBOURNE.....	340
HELLAS.....	340
SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH.....	339
NEWCASTLE KB UTD.....	336
MARCONI.....	335
ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST.....	324
ADELAIDE CITY.....	320
JUVENTUS.....	311
SYDNEY OLYMPIC.....	309
HEIDELBERG.....	309
ALEXANDER.....	305
CANBERRA ARROWS.....	300
FOOTSCRAY JUST.....	290
WOLLONGONG.....	274
BRISBANE CITY.....	270
BRISBANE LIONS.....	249
WEST ADELAIDE.....	
HELLAS.....	

All the votes and scorers:

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS

57. Benfield
 40. B. Nyskohus
 35. Flounders, Melta
 32. Villani
 22. Blair
 18. Mullen, Carter
 15. Dods
 13. McNally, Maxwell
 12. Rankin
 5. Cole
 3. Wright
 1. Miller, Schillabeer
- GOALS:
10. Mullen
 5. Rankin
 4. Carter, Villani, Melta
 3. Maxwell
 2. Blair, Banfield, Dods
 1. B. Nyskohus

APIA-LEICHHARDT

64. P. Tredinnick
58. Bradley
46. Mariani
40. Bertogna
29. Gray
24. Scharmann
19. Butler
18. Morsello
14. Parkes
12. Pullen
9. Woodhouse
8. Carter

7. Giampaolo
 5. Valeri
 4. Brown
- GOALS:
12. Bradley
 8. Morsello
 3. P. Tredinnick, Bertogna, Mariani
 2. deCeglie, Gray, Giampaolo, Jones
 1. Butler, Valeri, Carter, Pullen, Sharpe
- Own goals: B. Nyskohus (Adel. C.)

BRISBANE CITY

42. Wishart
 39. Perry
 36. Tokesi
 36. Hamilton
 35. Liddell
 17. Williamson
 14. Fabrizio
 12. Wilkinson
 11. Pimblett
 8. Cairney
 6. Glockner, Falco
 4. Kowtan
 3. Hughes
 2. Dunlop
 1. Bromfield
- GOALS:
7. Hamilton
 3. Tokesi, Glockner, Williamson, Falco
 2. Cairney, Bromfield, Wilkinson, Hughes
 1. Fabrizio, Liddell
- Own goals: Willis (Woll), Mountford (Newc), McMillan (Mak), Hummell (Can).

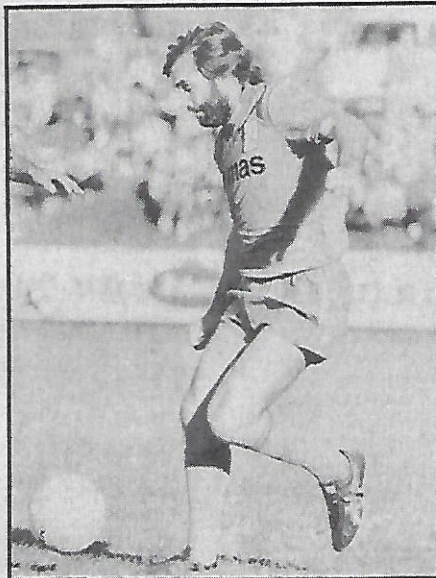
BRISBANE LIONS

54. Wright
 40. R. Stewart
 38. Niven
 34. Hunter
 27. J. Stewart
 17. Vincent (+5 with H'berg)
 14. Lownds
 11. Hogg
 10. Kelso
 8. Beves
 5. Anderson
 4. Sime
 3. Vasquez
 2. Ogden, Daunt
 1. McClurg
- GOALS:
10. Wright
 7. Daunt
 5. Niven
 3. Kelso
 2. J. Stewart, Hogg, Hunter, R. Stewart
 1. Kearton, McSkimming
- Own Goal: Tutill (JUST)

CANBERRA ARROWS

53. Farina
50. Bryant
46. T. Byrne
42. Hoszowski
35. Gibson
36. Murray
15. Cole
13. Christopoulos
11. Ambrosino
7. Walsh
4. Hummell
3. Redmond, Young

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George Best — gained no votes, scored no goals during his guest stint with Brisbane Lions.

2. G. Byrne, Brennan
 1. Moutsopoulos, Stone, MacLaren
- GOALS:
8. Bryant
 7. Farina, Gibson
 5. T. Byrne
 4. Redmond
 3. MacLaren, Brennan, Cole
 2. Perinovic, Walsh, Christopoulos

FOOTSCRAY JUST

55. Kyriakoulas
 44. Carroll
 36. McDowell
 34. Boland
 30. Belic
 24. Paton
 22. Gurovic
 21. Carroll
 12. O'Donnell
 8. Lujic
 5. Karic
 4. Purdie
 3. Simic
 1. Taylor
- GOALS:
11. Paton
 4. Lujic
 3. Carroll, Belic

HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER

83. Yankos
 42. Lea
 32. Tansey
 24. Spanos
 23. McKie
 20. Selemidis
 19. Macleod, Olver
 15. Campbell
 11. Patterson
 6. Valentine, Cole
 5. Vincent (+17 at Brisb. Lions)
 2. Juan Toro, Petersen
- GOALS:
11. Lea
 8. Campbell
 7. Cole
 4. Valentine
 2. Selemidis
 1. Patterson, Taylor, Vincent, Tansey, Macleod, Yankos.

MARCONI

62. Henderson
54. Sermani

35. McCulloch
 33. Djordjevic
 24. Brown, Jankovics
 21. Bozanic
 16. Budini
 14. Winn, Rizzotto
 13. James
 8. Licata
 6. Calderan
 4. Hunter, Carbone
 3. Maher
- GOALS:
10. Brown
 6. Jankovics
 5. Bozanic, Winn
 3. Sermani, Licata
 2. McCulloch, Carbone, Djordjevic
- Own goals: Vardareff (Woll), M. O'Shea (St. G)

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

53. Lowe
 52. Burke
 41. Watson
 36. Senkalski
 30. Mason
 28. Gosling
 27. H. Tredinnick
 17. Jones
 14. Mountford
 13. Lee
 9. Boogaardt
 8. Cowburn
 5. Maier
 3. Channon
- GOALS:
10. Lowe
 8. Mountford
 5. Jones, Mason
 4. Senkalski, Burke
 2. Cowburn
 1. Caban, Kirby, Brandt, Boogaardt, Lee
- Own goal: Wilkinson (Brisb. C)

PRESTON MAKEDONIA

67. Odzakov
 49. Jones
 46. McMillan
 38. Lucchesi
 34. Campbell
 23. Ollerton
 21. Flavell
 20. Opasinis
 19. Wilson
 18. Ward
 14. Todorovski
 8. Petrovski
 6. Ilioski
- GOALS:
10. Lucchesi
 9. Ward
 8. Ollerton
 6. McMillan
 5. Odzakov
 4. Campbell
 2. Ilioski
 1. Farrell
- Own goals: Barnes (Syd. C), Kelso (Brisb. L).

ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST

68. Ratcliffe
 55. Skeen
 47. Greedy
 38. Marton
 26. Stone
 23. Slater
 17. Barton
 16. M. O'Shea
 14. J. O'Shea
 12. R. O'Shea
 5. Biscaya
 3. Wilkinson
- GOALS:
10. Marton
 9. Slater, Wilkinson
 7. Barton
 3. Petkovski
 2. Skeen
 1. K. Wilson, J. O'Shea, R. O'Shea, Ratcliffe.
- Own goals: Odzakov (Mak), Xanthopoulos (SM-Hellas), Hughes (Brisb. L.)

STH MELB HELLAS

67. Davidson
 58. Crino
 38. Halford
 37. Murphy
 31. Egan
 29. Brown
 28. Blair
 22. Russell
 10. Yzendoorn
 9. Laumets
 6. Wooddin
 5. Xanthopoulos
- GOALS:
16. Brown
 11. Egan
 3. Crino, Halford
 2. Murphy, Wooddin
 1. Buljevic, Russell, Bozinovski, Yzendoorn.



Miko Petersen (Heidelberg)

Own goals: Yankos (H'berg), Petrovski (Mak), Jones (Mak).

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH

61. Watson
 39. Robertson
 32. O'Connor
 30. Kay
 25. Gomez, Kosmina
 22. Barnes
 20. Pezzano
 18. Souness
 15. Cant
 11. Bruce
 10. Mullen, Boden
 9. Murray
 6. Mitchell
 5. Clarke
 1. deMarigny
- GOALS:
15. Kosmina
 7. Gomez
 5. Boden
 4. Mitchell
 3. Souness, Murray
 2. Barnes, Kay, deMarigny, Watson
 1. Borges, Mullen, O'Connor

SYDNEY OLYMPIC

43. Patikas
 37. Katholos
 34. Soper
 33. Jennings
 30. Paterson
 25. Herbert, Dakos
 22. Meier
 20. Phillips
 14. Raskopoulos
 10. Rogers
 9. Coady
 6. Patalis
 2. Koussas
 1. Kaizantzis.
- GOALS:
15. Soper
 6. Katholos
 5. Paterson
 3. Patikas
 2. Dakos, Phillips, Patalis
 1. Coady, Koussas, Raskopoulos

WEST ADEL HELLAS

54. Heys
 43. Honeyman
 29. Dunn
 27. Sproul
 15. Crook
 12. McGregor
 11. Amey
 10. Doorne, McGachey
 9. Brennan
 8. Atsalas
 6. Hiern, Papazoglou
 4. Wormley
 3. Panagis
 2. Konstandopoulos
- GOALS:
5. Atsalas
 4. Brown
 3. Heys
 2. Amey, Wormley, Dunn, Brennan, Honeyman
 1. Manou, Panagis, Konstandopoulos

WOLLONGONG

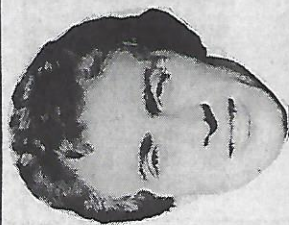
85. O'Connor
 39. Vlietstra
 33. Dunleavy
 30. Gaffney
 26. Cotton
 14. Preston, Vardareff
 12. Fleming
 8. McBreen
 7. Pollard
 6. Ainsworth, Kerr
 5. Willis
 3. Dickson
 2. Baker
- GOALS:
12. O'Connor, Cotton
 4. Willis
 3. Fleming
 2. Dunleavy, Ainsworth, McBreen, Dickson
 1. Gaffney
- Own goals: Hunter (Marc).



Charlie Yankos (right) scores an own goal in deflecting a shot by Hellas's Doug Brown (second from left) into the net. Ian McKie (left) tries in vain to stop it on the line. In the background, seated, is Jim Tansey.

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TEAM OF THE YEAR

This is our 1983 Team of the Year, based on votes gained in the Boral Bricks "Soccer Action" Player of the Year award. Runners-up in each position also are shown.

Last year's team of the year:

Bobby RUSSELL (SM-Hellas)	Arno BERTOGNA (Wollongong)	Steve POTTER (Prest. Makedonia)	Jim HERMISTON (Brisb. Lions)	Charlie YANKOS (Heid. Alexander)
John BRADLEY (APIA)	Peter KATHOLOS (Syd. Olympic)	Joe WATSON (Syd. C. Hakoah)	Dez MARTON (St. Geo. Budapest)	Zoran ILIOSKI (Footsc. JUST)
				Phil O'CONNOR (Wollongong)



47. Terry
GREEDY

(St. George Budapest)

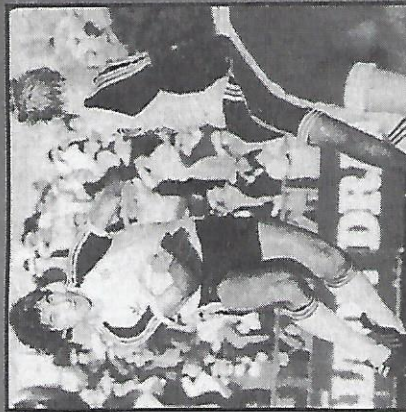
42. Steve Hoszowski (Canberra)

42. Kim Wishart (Brisbane City)



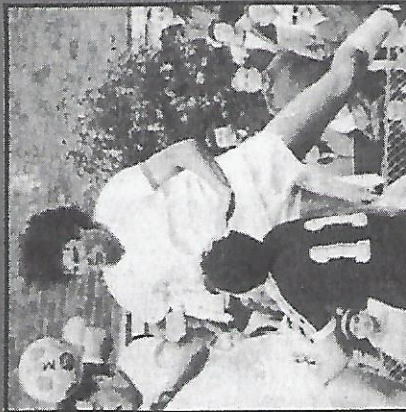
55. David
SKEEN

(St. George Budapest)



83. Charlie
YANKOS

(H'berg Alexander)



68. David
RATCLIFFE

(St. George Budapest)



67. Alan
DAVIDSON

(South Melbourne Hellas)

56. Steve Boral (Brisbane City)

57. Neil Burfield (Adel. C. Juventus)

62. Tony Henderson (Marconi)

60. Steve Nuckache (Adel. C. Juventus)

1981 team of the year: Creek (W. Adel. Hellas) — McWilliam (Heid. Alex.), Hemmister (Brisb. Lions), Wilson (APIA), B. Nyekheine (Adel. Jewel) — Sandilshi (Newc.) Shumans (Syd. Hellas), Kitchins (Syd. Olymp) — Watson (Syd. Hellas), Evans (SM-Hellas), Mitchell (Adel. Jewel)

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1979 team of the year: Creek (W. Adel. Hellas) — Perry (Brisb. C.), Pralade (Marci), G. Potter (Brisb. C.), Carran (Newc.) — J. Campbell (Heid. Alex.), Rooney (Heid. Alex.), Jenkins (Marci) — Boden (Newc.), Buljovic (Heid. Alex.), Lopic (Footsc. JUST)

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1977 team of the year: Creek (W. Adel. Hellas) — Piv (SM-Hellas), Hemmister (Brisb. C.), Wilson (W. Adel. Hellas), Renaldi (W. Adel. Hellas) — Richards (Marci), Barnes (Syd. Hellas), Rooney (Marci) — Watson (Syd. Hellas), Smith (Syd. Hellas), Buljovic (Heid. Alex.)



58. Oscar
CRING

(South Melbourne Hellas)
46. George McMillan (Prest. Makedonia)
43. Jim Pafikas (Sydney Olympic)



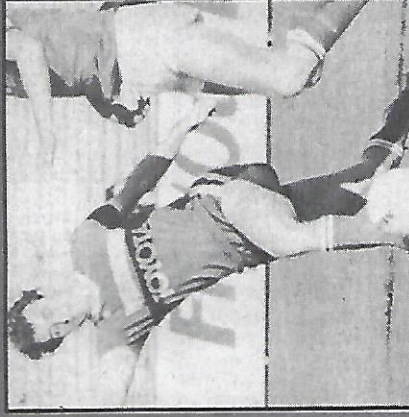
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(Sydney City Hakoah)
53. Frank Fritta (Canberra)
44. Joe Cardli (Footscray JUST)



67. Zarko
ODZAKOV

(Preston Makedonia)
54. Tommy Sermani (Marconi)
38. Carl Halford (St Helens)



55. Phil
O'CONNOR

(Wollongong)
54. Senay Wright (Brisbane Lions)
53. David Lowe (Newcastle KB Utd)



64. Peter
TREDINNICK

(APIA)
50. Steve Bryant (Canberra)
43. Graeme Honeyman (West Adel. Hellas)

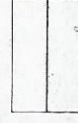


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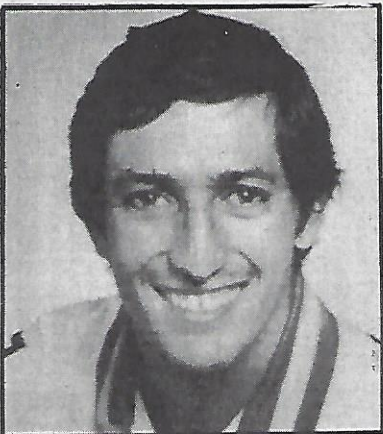
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54. Graham Heys (West Adel. Hellas)
42. Derek Lee (H'berg Alexander)



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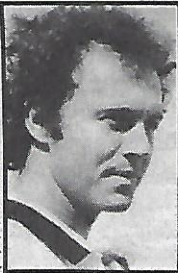
Julio Cesar Romero — off to Atletico Madrid?

New York Cosmos crumbling

From ALEX YANNIS

The elimination of the Cosmos from the North American Soccer League playoffs in Montreal prompted coach Julio Mazzai to repeat that the league's most glamorous team was getting older and needed a facelift.

"We're an older team, we can't keep going," Mazzai said after the 1-0 loss to the Manic. "We must make some changes. When some



Franz Beckenbauer.

Hungary and Germany win

Unfancied Hungary threw the outcome of Group Three of the European Championship into confusion by beating hot favorite Denmark 1-0 in the Nip stadium, Budapest.

Sandor Kiss scored the surprise winner in the 55th minute, before and after the Danes squandered countless goal-scoring chances.

Denmark, which had won five and drawn one of its previous ties, must now win in Greece next month to be sure of qualifying for the finals in France next summer.

But England, which plays Luxembourg away from home on the same night, suddenly finds itself in the role of favorite. It will undoubtedly beat Luxembourg while the nervous Danes, who lead the section by one point, are by no means certain of winning in Athens.

Group three standings:
Denmark..... 7 5 1 1 5 11
England..... 7 4 2 1 10 30
Hungary..... 7 3 0 4 10 15
Greece..... 5 1 2 5 6 5
Luxembourg..... 0 0 0 6 31 0
Remaining fixtures: Nov 18 — Greece v Denmark and Luxembourg v England, Dec 3 — Greece v Hungary, Dec 14 — Greece v Luxembourg.

Meanwhile West Germany beat Turkey 5-1 (half-time 1-0) in a European championship Group Six qualifying game in West Berlin.

of the players finish, we'll be in trouble." Mazzai's job may be in jeopardy, but when asked whether he felt insecure, he said: "I don't think so. I think my position is solid. But I work for a company that doesn't accept excuses."

"To start with, we need at least three players. We need a defender, a midfielder and a forward."

With an average age of 27.7, the Cosmos are the oldest team in the league except for the Fort Lauderdale Strikers (28.0). Like the Cosmos, the Strikers were better in their quarterfinal against Tulsa.

Last year, shortly after the Cosmos had won their fourth title in six years, Mazzai also asked the board to improve the team by adding three players. But his request was unanswered.

"I have no regrets about this season," he said, "because they didn't give me the three players I wanted. The board had other priorities. I can understand that. But I think I worked hard with the material I had."

The Cosmos not only were reluctant to spend as freely on players as in the past, but also cut back in other areas. However, the signing last week of Roberto Cabanas, the league's leading scorer, to a multiyear contract for \$200,000 a year, might have indicated that the club was willing to do more.

"We can become champions again as early as next year," Mazzai said. "We finished in first place in the regular season."

Two of the obvious gaps Mazzai hopes to fill will be those left by the retirement of the star forward Giorgio Chinaglia and the imminent departure of Julio Cesar Romero. The midfielder says he wants to play at a more competitive level than the NASL, and reaffirmed that he was "definitely leaving."

He will most likely end up with Atletico Madrid, Franz Beckenbauer indicated in much stronger terms than before that he would like to return, but if for any reason he does not, the Cosmos may need more than one defender.

The tour includes games in west Africa. Beckenbauer will play in Chinaglia's farewell game and in two or three other games on the tour. He said the Cosmos had several good players, but agreed with Mazzai that "some changes must be made."

WARK, MARINER QUIT BECAUSE \$81,500 WAGE IS NOT ENOUGH

John Wark and Paul Mariner of Ipswich Town have not won any friends by asking for transfers last week, claiming they do not earn enough money.

The two have announced they want to leave because the club will not increase their yearly wage of \$81,500.

The average wage in Britain is around \$14,000 a year.

Wark explained why he thought his \$1600 weekly pay packet was not enough.

He said a professional footballer had a duty to his wife and children to earn as much as he could from football as quickly as he could.

"I realise the average man in the street earns only a fraction of my wages and he may well feel it's justified to call me greedy," he said.

"But I hope he appreciates that football is such a short life. I have no qualifications."

From BRUCE WADDELL

I left school as early as I could, and when I retire I have no idea what I'll do.

"I am 26 now and have probably another eight or nine years left, but I could be put out of the game tomorrow by a serious injury," Wark said.

Ipswich has never been renowned as a big-spending club and Wark and Mariner realise they still earn a lot less than some of the top players from clubs like Liverpool, Manchester United, Arsenal and Spurs.

United's England captain Bryan Robson, Spurs' Glenn Hoddle, and Arsenal pair Tony Woodcock and Charlie Nicholas are thought to be earning more than \$3200 a week.

The top dog in the money stakes is former England captain Kevin Keegan, who is earning an estimated \$4900 with second division Newcastle United.

The dissatisfied Mariner is no doubt concerned that although he is keeping Woodcock out of the England team at the moment, he is earning half the Arsenal striker's salary.

Wark continued: "Players of the same ability as we are earning a lot more money. In comparison with some of the United and Liverpool players, we are poorly paid."

"I've had reasonably good wages since I became a professional but for two years as an apprentice I received very little. My first wage packet contained 7.40 pence (\$12).

Wark said he realised it was a common belief that players were overpaid and were ruining clubs financially.

"But clubs pay players what they can afford. I appreciate Ipswich's position but I have got to look after myself," he said.

As Ipswich already has announced it will not increase the wages of the two key players, it looks certain both will soon move on to other clubs.

But there are many that could afford them?

Laudrup to push out Boniek?

From JIM COOK our European correspondent

A powerful struggle is reported to be brewing about who will be Italy's new national team skipper to succeed Dino Zoff. Favorite is Antonio Cabrini of Juventus but Fiorentina captain Giancarlo Antognoni also has his backers.

The demise of Arsenal has triggered off suggestions that unless things improve quickly at Highbury, then Terry Neill's job may be on the line. I understand that Terry's present contract is only for a year.

New sensation in Dutch soccer is 21-year-old black striker Ruud Gullit of Feyenoord. Gullit's 36-year-old colleague Johan Cruyff has high praise for him.

The man who steered Jacksonville Tea Men to the American Soccer League title is Denis Violett, the former Manchester United and England star of 20 years ago. The Team Men quit the NASL last year.

The Football League in England has launched a \$600,000 campaign to try to win back many of the lost fans. If the T.V. ads are successful, it may invest another \$2 million on the scheme. The specially commissioned jingle "We'll Be There" is designed especially for Central T.V. in the Midlands where attendances have fallen more than elsewhere.

Britain's richest man is Sir John Moores CBE, co-founder of Lloyds Bank. His estimated fortune is \$2,600 million.

Zico, now with Udinese, has revealed he never allowed his father to attend his matches. Evidently Dad has a red-hot temper and was likely to clobber anyone who fouled his son.

Over 70,000 packed the Olympic Stadium in Munich to see Bayern thrash Borussia 4-0 with Karl Heinz Rummenigge grabbing two goals.

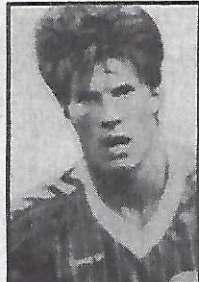
Hungarian soccer is a far cry from the Mighty Meyers of the 50's. Talent is so scarce and morale so low after the gigantic pools swindle that even with top prices at the Nip Stadium only \$4 for the England game the ground was two thirds empty.

Denmark has only to beat either Hungary or Greece in its two remaining European Championship matches to go through to the finals in France next summer. After their win against England at Wembley the Danes are capable of beating both, which is bad news for England.

Celtic says it won't lose star Paul McStay, 19, like it did Charlie Nicholas. McStay has just signed a five-year contract, as has colleague Roy Aitken, 25.

The once famous Charlton, which had a winding-up order brought against it in court recently by former chairman Mike Gilkerson who reckons the club owes him \$1 million has until Nov. 7 to sort itself out.

Brazilian midfielder star Cerezo quickly endorsed himself to the Roma fans — especially the ladies. Frequently at the club's training sessions he autographs a ball, then gifts it to a supporter — usually a pretty signora.



Michael Laudrup

Reports say that Dutch star Johnny Rep who quit French side St Etienne to come home to PEC Zwolle is being hounded by the taxman in France. The French Inland Revenue evidently sold his home in Sorbiers for \$80,000 to meet some of his debts.

Michael Laudrup, the 18-year-old Danish sensation who has scored nine goals in his six internationals, could force Michel Platini or Zbigniew Boniek away from Juventus at the end of the season. Laudrup, presently on loan to Lazio, is certain to rejoin Juventus next season and with the two-foreigners limit in Italian soccer the Frenchman or the Pole must go.

Republic of Ireland under 21 keeper Keithie O'Hanlon who plays for Middlesbrough, received an IRA death threat before the Yorkshire club's game with Blackburn Rovers. A letter said he would be shot if Blackburn didn't win.

Jean-Marie Pfaff, the Belgium national team keeper who plays for Bayern Munich, gets over 500 fan letters every day and before his club games hands out over 2000 signed photos of himself. He is so popular in West Germany that a top magazine there quotes him as being the only world class foreigner in the Bundesliga.



Joao Alves and his black gloves.

JOAO ALVES — MAN IN THE BLACK GLOVES

By PAUL MOON

Joao Alves would have grabbed the soccer world's attention anyway through midfield craft and elegance, but his insistence upon wearing black gloves assured that he stood out on the pitch.

The habit was inherited from his uncle — also an international. Discarded by Benfica as a teenager, he joined Boavista, and it was with his current club that Alves first proved himself a player of exceptional ability. Boavista though was then only a stepping stone for ambitious players and Salamanca paid a large transfer fee to introduce him into Spanish League football.

Only a year was spent over the border though, before Benfica, realising its earlier mistake, brought Alves back to Lisbon.

After another single season, he was on the move again — to Paris St. Germain for a million dollars.

Unfortunately a broken leg, suffered in his third French League game, and homesickness, marred the Portuguese linkman's stay, which lasted less than one campaign. Benfica returned PSG's million dollars in order to buy Alves back and he subsequently did much to maintain the "Eagles" status as Portugal's top dogs and restore them as a power in Europe. These overseas excursions have limited his

international career, yet he is quickly nearing his 50th cap.

It appeared likely that another trip outside of Portugal was likely earlier this year when Atletico Madrid, Roma and Udinese were all reported to have made bids for his services, however it was Boavista whom he eventually signed for.

Perpetually in the shadow of powerful neighbours FC Oporto, Boavista have only in recent years become a force in Portuguese soccer.

Never appearing likely to break the Benfica-Sporting-FC Oporto stranglehold on the league, Boavista have nonetheless proved themselves worthy fighters in the Portuguese Cup. Three times — 1975, 1976 and 1979, they lifted the trophy. In the European Cup Winners' Cup and UEFA Cup, both of which have been entered three times, however Boavista found success elusive.

Group One
England - C'vakia 3-0, 1-2.
England - Portugal 0-0, 1-1.
England - Cyprus 5-0, 1-0.
C'vakia - Portugal 5-0, 1-1.
Portugal - Cyprus 1-0, 2-0.
Cyprus - C'vakia 0-3, 0-4.
Qualified: Czechoslovakia.

Group Two
Austria - Wales 2-1, 0-1.
Austria - Hungary 0-0, 1-2.
Austria Luxembourg 0-2, 2-1.
Luxembourg - Wales 1-3, 0-5.
Wales - Hungary 2-0, 2-1.
Hungary - Luxembourg 8-1, 4-2.
Qualified: Wales.

Group Three
Yugoslavia - Norway 3-1, 3-1.
Yugoslavia - Sweden 3-0, 2-1.
Yugoslavia - N. Ireland 1-0, 0-1.
Norway - Sweden 0-2, 1-3.
Sweden - N. Ireland 0-2, 2-1.
N. Ireland - Norway 3-0, 1-2.
Qualified: Yugoslavia.

Group Four
Denmark - Spain 1-2, 0-2.
Scotland - Spain 1-2, 1-1.
Spain & Rumania 1-1, 2-2.
Scotland - Rumania 1-1, 1-1.
Rumania - Denmark 6-1, 0-0.
Denmark - Scotland 0-1, 1-3.
Qualified: Spain.

Group Five
Finland - Holland 1-3, 1-4.
Holland - Italy 3-1, 0-1.
Poland - Holland 4-1, 0-3.
Poland - Italy 0-0, 0-0.
Poland - Finland 3-0, 2-1.
Finland - Italy 0-1, 0-0.
Qualified: Holland.

Group Six
USSR - USSR 3-0, 1-2.
USSR - Turkey 3-0, 0-1.
Switzerland - USSR 0-1, 1-4.
Switzerland - Eire 1-0, 1-2.
Turkey - Eire 1-1, 0-4.
Switzerland - Turkey 1-1, 1-2.
Qualified: Russia.

Group Seven
Iceland - Belgium 0-2, 0-1.
Belgium - France 2-1, 0-0.
Belgium - E. Germany 1-2, 0-0.
France - E. Germany 2-2, 1-2.
E. Germany - Iceland 1-1, 1-2.
Iceland - France 0-0, 0-3.
Qualified: Belgium.

Group Eight
Greece - W. Germany 2-2, 1-1.
Malta - Greece 2-0, 0-4.
Bulgaria - Greece 3-1, 1-2.
Malta - W. Germany 0-1, 0-8.
Switzerland - USSR 0-1, 1-4.
W. Germany - Bulgaria 1-0, 1-10.
Bulgaria - Malta 5-0, 2-0.
Qualified: W. Germany.

Quarter-finals
Spain - W. Germany 1-1, 0-2.
Yugoslavia - Wales 2-0, 1-1.
Holland - Belgium 5-0, 2-1.
C'vakia - Russia 2-0, 2-2.

Semi-finals
C'vakia - Holland 3-1.
Yugoslavia - W. Germany 2-4.

Match for Third Place
Yugoslavia - Holland 2-3.

Final - National Stadium, Belgrade - June 20, 1976 - 50,000.
C'VAKIA - WEST GERMANY 2-2 (2-1 after extra time. (Svenhik, Dobias, D. Mueller, Holzenbein).

C'VAKIA: Viktor, Dobias (Vosely), Pivarnik, Ondrus, Capkovic, Gogh, Modern, Panenka, Svehlik (Jurkemic), Masny, Nehoda.

W. GERMANY: Moler, Vogta, Beckenbauer, Schweitzer, Dietz, Bonhof, Wimmer (Fiohe), D. Mueller, Beer (Bongartz), Hoenees, Holzenbein.

Referee: Gonella (Italy).
C'vakia won 5-3 on penalties.



SOCCER AROUND THE WORLD



Czech coach Jezek is tossed into the air by jubilant players after the final win over West Germany in Belgrade. The Czechs won 5-3 on penalties.

Germans' golden era ended by Czech penalties

The resounding popularity achieved by West Germany and Holland in the 1974 World Cup confirmed once and for all the key to success in modern football lay in the physical interpretation of the game.

PHILIP MICALLEF continues the history of the European Championship

While the teams from northern Europe moved ahead with their powerful and multi-purpose game, teams like Argentina, Brazil, Italy and Uruguay, traditional exponents of the so-called "artistic" game, fared badly.

And when the fifth Eu-

ropean Championship kicked off in late 1974, the continent's fans wanted to see whether the big wins recorded by the Germans, Dutch, Poles and Swedes were actually a flash in the pan or the continuation of a trend initiated four earlier by that great West German national team and the super club team from Holland - Ajax Amsterdam.

Holland and Poland were unfortunately drawn together in Group Five along with Italy.

The superb skills of Johann Cruyff, Ruud Krol and Wim van Hanen saw the Dutch through on goal difference but the Italians, with many young players in the side after the '74 fiasco, missed out after losing a point at home to unrated Finland!

Czechoslovakia, with finally a decent team after years of humiliating defeats, recovered from an exaggerated 3-0 loss to England at Wembley to beat Portugal 5-0 and turn the tables on England, winning 2-1 in Bratislava.

England lost further ground by drawing 0-0 with Portugal at Wembley.

Old rivals and neighbors, Austria and Hungary, were set for yet another classic confrontation in Group Two for a place in the quarter-finals.

But tiny Wales came out of nowhere to beat first the Magyars in Budapest and then the Austrians in Cardiff to qualify with merit.

Yugoslavia did not find its Group Three companions easy to beat.

After losing to Northern Ireland in Belfast, the Slavs had to beat Sweden both at home and away to make the "quarters".

Group Four opened with a controversy about Spain's Argentinian-born striker Roberto Martinez, who later was banned from representing Spain.

But after beating Scotland 2-1 at Hampden, the Spaniards were able to cruise through the group matches and qualify easily.

Eire provided a major shock by beating the USSR 3-0 in the opening Group Six match in Dublin. This shock defeat prompted the Soviet authorities to pin their hopes of qualifying on the successful club side Dinamo Kiev.

This "on team block" system paid off because the Soviets quickly became a transformed side and won four games on the trot to reach the quarter-finals, star striker Oleg Blokhin being their best player.

Belgium survived an unexpected loss to East Germany to top Group Seven after taking three points from the French.

West Germany, world and European champion, had no difficulty winning Group Eight, especially after tiny Malta caused a major upset by beating Greece 2-1 at home.

The quarter-finals were played on home and away basis and a superb goal from striker Zdravko Kadic earned the Cup holders a priceless 1-1 draw in Madrid against Spain.

On German soil, Beckenbauer and Co. beat the Spaniards 2-0 to qualify for the semi-final phase which was to take place in Yugoslavia.

The Slavs, with a good record in the competition, beat Wales 3-1 on aggregate but were then surviving a terrible ordeal in Cardiff.

After winning the first leg 2-0 in Belgrade, the Slavs were under heavy pressure from Wales in the second leg at Ninian Park.

In the second half, with Yugoslavia leading 1-0, Slav goalkeeper Maric was pelted with hard objects by enraged Welsh fans and play was held up for several minutes.

Wales eventually scored an equalising goal but the stadium was banned for three years by UEFA.

Holland hit its best form in crushing neighboring rival Belgium 5-0 at home and confirmed its potential by winning also away.

In an "All Communist" quarter-final, Czechoslovakia beat USSR 2-0 at home and snatched a 2-2 draw in Moscow to make up the finals quarter.

The four matches in Yugoslavia provided some of the best football seen in Europe for a decade.

The clever Czechs, guided by the brilliant Marian Masny, defeated Cruyff less Holland in Zagreb's Dinamo Stadium 3-1 after extra time.

At normal time the score stood at 1-1 and, with Pollak sent off, things were not looking good for Czechoslovakia. But ace striker Nehoda and midfielder Vesely scored twice in quick breaks to send the Dutch packing.

Later in the evening in Belgrade, Yugoslavia was poised to record its best win in many years. The fast Popivoda and the experienced Djazic scored twice to put Yugoslavia in a commanding 2-0 lead at half-time.

But the Germans, showing their characteristic never-say-die spirit, had other ideas and the goal by substitute Dieter Mueller put them back into the game.

The Cologne forward went on to snatch a glorious hat-trick to enable West Germany to win 4-2 after extra time.

In the match for third place Holland beat Yugoslavia 3-2 after extra time. In another attractive clash played in Zagreb, blond striker Uels scored twice for Holland.

The final in Belgrade was a classic. Svehlik and Dobias gave the Czechs a 2-0 lead at half-time but before half-time Dieter Mueller pulled one back for West Germany.

In the second half the Germans attacked without respite but Czechoslovakia, with defender Ondrus in towering form, held out.

With time running out fast, winger Holzenbein snatched a dramatic equalizer, sending this fine match into extra time, which provided no further goals.

The title was decided by a penalty shoot-out, which Czechoslovakia won 5-3.

It was not the most convincing way to win an international competition but the Czechs, after that unfortunate qualifying match in London, came back strongly and finished the competition as the best team.

For West Germany, it was a sad loss but it was clear all through the tournament the sparkle and genius of the 1972 and 1974 editions were disappearing. A golden era was about to end.

Olympic final sold out

ALL 103,000 tickets for the 1984 Olympic soccer final in the Los Angeles Rose Bowl on August 11 have been sold.

Half a million seats have been sold for the whole tournament.

A special FIEA committee has no doubt there is no other way of organising an under-16 world tournament, since, with the exception of Africa, the idea was already established within most federations. It was suggested the finals should comprise 16 teams meeting for the first time in 1985, probably in China.

Lech Poznan's title, thanks to Kupcewicz, Bak, Okonski

LECH POZNAN, champions of Poland.

A year ago it would have been considered an impossible dream by those experts who expected the league title to have been a private contest between Widzew Lodz (1982 champions), Legia Wrsaw and Slask Wroclaw.

Lech's success is owed, in large measure, to the work over the past three years of coach Wojciech Lazarek.

Aged 45, Lazarek was originally a player with Start Lodz, LKS and finally for Lechia Gdansk (last season's surprise cup-winners from the third division). After retiring he sat his coaching examinations in Gdansk and then worked with Wlokniaz Lodz, Lechia, Gdansk, MRKS Gdansk, Olimpia Elblag, Baltik Gdynia and Zawisza Bydgoszcz.

He also had short spells studying abroad at Hamburg and Hertha Berlin before taking over at Lech.

His basic team last season was:

Mowluk or Plesniarowicz - Pawlak or Stroiński, Szweczyk, Malek, Barczak - Okonski, Kupcewicz, Adamiec or Krzyzanowski - Bak, Niwiedomski, Okonski.

Only two of those players began their football careers with Lech or were born in Poznan. Hieronim Barczak and Rafal Stroiński. The rest were all signed from other clubs. But the key transfer dealing came a year ago when Lech signed Jozef Adamiec,

Jacek Bak and Janusz Kupcewicz.

It's Kupcewicz who is the best-known Lech player, both to the fans in Poland and to those abroad. His national team chances were restricted for years before with the midfield dominance of Kazimierz Deyna. But Kupcewicz has been a national squad fixture since Deyna's departure. He may not be too quick, but he has an excellent shot, good control and vision of play.

Despite health problems, Kupcewicz was in top form last season and played the decisive role in the last game of the term when Lech, in order to win the Championship, had to win away against on-cruise Gornik Zabrze. Gornik at home are still dangerous rivals, but two touches from Kupcewicz and Lech won 2-0.

Kupcewicz can win matches single-handed but he was supported last season by two excellent wingers in Mirosław Okonski and Jacek Bak.

Okonski could be a new Robert Gadocha. But maddeningly, it seems that even after dribbling past defenders and the goalkeeper, he cannot put the ball in the net. If he could correct his finishing he would score three time more goals and perhaps even win the "Golden Shoe" for Europe's top scorer.

As for Bak, the 21-year-old from Resovia Rzeszow is the great hope of Polish football with his inventive, unpredictable talents. Yet Lech did not have it

easy. The league leadership changed almost every week-end between Ruch, Lech, Pogon and Widzew in the season's closing stages.

Widzew won all their last three games against Cracovia, Gwardia and Zagłębie, scoring 12 goals, but it wasn't enough to overhaul Lech, known as the "Railmen's team".

PLAYERS

PIOTR MOWLIK - Goalkeeper. Aged 33. 21 caps. Experienced, sharp reflexes. Product of ROW Rybnik, then played for Unia Raciborz and Legia Warsaw. Came to Lech in 1979.

ZBIGNIEW PLESNIOWICZ - Goalkeeper. 24. Product of Wlokniaz Kalisz, then Legia Warsaw. Joined Lech a year ago.

HIERONIM BARGZAK - Rick-back, an attacking player. 30/8. Team captain. Played before for Przemyśl and Polonia Poznan.

JOZEF SZWECZYK - Sweeper. 33/1. Played for Wanda Krakow, Hutnik Krakow, Slask Wroclaw, and since 1977, for Lech.

JANUSZ MALEK - Full-back. 25. Product of Stal Krasnik. Hard player.

KRZYSZTOF PAWLAK - Utility defender. 25. Product of Calisia, signed from Warta Poznan.

RAFAL STROIŃSKI - Talented 19-year-old who plays in defence or midfield.

ANDRZEJ STRUGAREH - Defender. 25. Joined Lech from Zastal Zielo-Zielona Gora. Began with Lucznik Strzelce Krajeńskie.

LESZEK PARTYŃSKI - Utility player. 22. Product of Sandecja, joined Lech from Radomsk.

JOZEF ADAMIEC - Sweeper or midfielder. 29/1. Joined Lech from Odra Opole. Played previously for Unia Kozłowski and Malapanew Ozimek. Powerful player with strong shot.

JERZY KRZYZANOWSKI - Midfield. 28. Product of Pogon Siedlec, joined Lech from Bron Radom. Good with free-kicks.

JANUSZ KUPCEWICZ - Midfield. 27/19. Has scored five goals for Poland and got nine for Lech last season. The key man.

JERZY OBLEWSKI - Midfield. 25. Product of Olimpia Kamienna Gora. Joined Lech

from Karkonosze. Hard-working player.

JACEK BAK - Right-winger. 21. Quick, good dribbler. Joined Lech in 1982 from Resovia Rzeszow.

MARIUSZ NIWIEDOMSKI - Centre-forward. 24. Good header. Looks like Diego Maradona. Previous clubs: Gwardia Koszalin and Stilon Gorzow.

MIROSLAW OKONSKI - Left-winger. 24/7. Skilful dribbler, good with long-range shots. Legue's joint-top scorer last season with 15 goals.

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Swansea for sale

The entire playing staff of struggling English Second Division soccer club Swansea City have been offered for sale to help the club overcome its financial crisis.

The club's bankers have given it a few weeks to raise \$650,000 of which half is expected to be provided by the Swansea board and the other half from transferees.

The sellout means Swansea's top stars, like Bob Latchford, Ian Welsh, Alan Curtis, Jimmy Rimmer, Jeremy Charles, Gary Stanley and Neil Robinson are all on the transfer list.

The club is losing \$16,000 a week and has debts of \$2.4 million. Players' wages will have to be cut by half.



Sasha keeps scoring

Sasha Becevinski (above) is the young goals king of Footscray JUST. Sasha 11, scored 34 goals in the JUST under 11's last year and 37 goals this year, 26 in the under-13 team. He's been a hat-trick hero on six occasions this season and he's tipped to be one of JUST's future stars. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

Donaldson may return to challenge Denys' record

By PETER DESIRA

Green Gully Ajax goalkeeper Lou Denys has opened clear lead at the top of the overall appearances record for players currently playing in the Victorian State League.

Denys has amassed 156 appearances in seven years between the sticks for Ajax and has overtaken last year's leader, Ken Murphy, by 19 appearances.

Murphy had established a unique record, missing only one match in Croatia's first six seasons in the State League before moving on to South Melbourne Hellas this season.

Denys has missed six games in seven seasons including one this year, against George Cross through injury.

His record may stand for only one season however as one of his closest challengers, Peter Donaldson, is expected to make a return to the State League next year with Broadmeadows.

Donaldson has 133 appearances to his credit with three clubs — Ajax, Sunshine and Juventus — but missed out on adding any this season through his move to the First Division.

Denys is not expected to add to his total as he is likely to be in the Ajax team which will be promoted to the National League.

A number of other leading players in the overall appearances tally will move with him into the NSL next season.

Among those within reach of Denys are teammate Willie Vassallo who has played 126 matches (123 full appearances and three as substitute), Melbourne Croatia duo Keith Adams (114 appearances) and Peter Blasby (113 appearances). Croydon centre back Steve McCombe on 111, and Bruno Sabidussi who has 123 appearances to his credit with two clubs, Juventus and Falkner.

Appearances tallies are available only since 1976 as no record was kept prior to that season.

Here is a short list of players who have made over 100 appearances for their clubs since 1976. The records are split into full appearances (when they were in the starting line-up) and number of appearances & substitutes (eg Willie Vassallo's 123 + 3 means 123 full games and three as substitute).

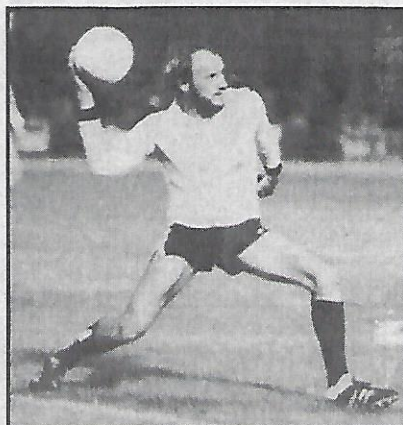
156 Lou Denys (Green Gully)
135 Ken Murphy (Croatia)
133 Peter Donaldson (Green Gully, Sunshine, Juventus)
124 + 1 Norm Maitland (George Cross)
123 + 3 Willie Vassallo (Green Gully)
112 + 2 Keith Adams (Croatia)
112 + 1 Peter Blasby (Croatia)
115 + 3 Bill Jordanou (Hellas and Hakoah)
116 + 3 Ante Bilaver (Croatia)
117 + 1 Steve Kokoska (Croatia)

Wilhelmina had the dubious honor of using the most players in '33 when 31 wore the club's orange strip at senior level at least once.

Hellas wasn't far behind, using 30 including six NSL players who were "relegated" to State League at one stage or another.

Juventus used the least number, calling on only 18 players throughout the season.

Here is a full run-down, club by club, of the number of full and substitute appearances made in the league this season. Remember the first figure denotes full appearances, the



Green Gully Ajax goalkeeper Lou Denys

second (after the plus) is the number of times the player was utilised as a playing substitute.

ALBION ROVERS: 25 Tommy Costello; 24 plus 1 Dean Hennessey; 24 plus 1 Gerry Reilly; 24 Ken Smart; 23 Bennie Ferrie; 20 plus 1 Frank MacLeod; 19 plus 4 Mick D'Sylva; 14 plus 1 Steve Douglas; 14 Alan Bennett; 13 plus 3 Brian Galea; 13 plus 1 Eddie Gray; 12 plus 1 Peter Dickson; 10 plus 2 Dave Stuart; 9 Ron McIvor; 4 plus 1 Mark Karapatos; 4 Lars Murphy; 3 Graham Williams; 2 plus 4 Bill McIntyre; 2 plus 1 Chris Ogden; 1 Danny Lacock; — plus 2 Charlie Spiteri; — plus 1 Charlie Cipri.

BOX HILL: 26 Ian Roodhouse; 26 Peter Verecchia; 25 Alan Hughes; 24 John McKinlay; 22 Don Brownlie; 22 Richard Miranda; 19 plus 2 Alan Roodhouse; 17 plus 5 Don Lawler; 15 plus 4 David Azzopardi; 15 plus 1 Matt MacDonald; 15 Paul Priestley; 13 plus 1 John Gabrielson; 13 Pedro Ramos; 8 plus 5 Ray Taylor; 7 plus 1 Brian Keenan; 6 plus 1 Kyle Patterson; 4 Ray Tormie; 3 plus 1 Alan McKenna; 3 plus 1 Keith Valentine; 2 plus 1 John Scholten; 1 Gary McPhee; — plus 1 Rob McLachlan; — plus 1 Greg McLeod.

CROYDON CITY: 26 Paul Wade; 25 plus 1 Mark Brown; 24 Gary Hobson; 24 Lou Kastner; 23 plus 1 Mick Rainey; 20 plus 4 Steve Irvine; 20 plus 2 Ian Dobson; 20 plus 1 Jim Rooney; 19 Steve McCombe; 18 plus 1 Joe Sweeney; 16 plus 3 Peter Loughane; 16 plus 1 Terry Nolan; 11 Steve Marley; 10 plus 4 Gus MacLeod; 7 plus 6 Ian Loughane; 3 plus 1 Reno Lia; 2 Mick Edwards; 2 David Singleton; — plus 1 Lucio Saisi;

DOVETON: 26 Sean Keogh; 26 Mark Lennon; 26 Ian Stinton;

25 Peter Thurlow; 24 Stan Webster; 23 Paul Corke; 20 John Downie; 19 plus 4 Andy Millar; — plus 1 Bill Buchanan; 18 Graham Watson; 12 plus 2 Jeff Waterhouse; 11 plus 1 Greg McLeod; 11 Steve Gadsby; 9 Ernie Merrick; 4 plus 6 Colin Bartlett; 4 plus 1 Mick McIvor; 3 plus 1 Genghiz Hulusi; 2 plus 2 Paul Brabbin; 2 plus 2 Murray; 1 Paul Cridge; 1 Carlos Waite; — plus 1 M. Keogh.

FAWKNER: 26 Cesare Fattore; 24 plus 1 Joe Palinkas; 23 Robert Terzini; 22 Tony Schipano; 21 Bruno Cozzella; 20 Jim Kondarios; 19 plus 3 Andy Bozikas; 18 plus 2 Mei Anselma; 17 plus 2 Bruno Sabidussi; 17 plus 1 Serge Sabbadini; 13 plus 3 Carlo Sabidussi; 9 Michael Giacomini; 6 plus 1 Ralph Petrocchi; 6 Tiziano Cavallari; 5 plus 5 Robert Palmariotti; 3 plus 3 Milan Kojic; 3 plus 2 Tony Mainenti; 3 Bill Panas; 2 plus 3 Rajko Curcija; 1 plus 7 John Sannipoli; 1 plus 1 Slobodan Popovic; 1 Les Gooney; 1 Chris Petrov; — plus 1 Fab Angele.

GREEN GULLY AJAX: 26 David Hogben; 26 Jim Williams; 25 Lou Denys; 25 Bobby Toal; 24 Stuart Cannell; 24 Paul Lewis; 24 Peter Lewis; 24 Steve Short; 24 David Smallman; 24 Willie Vassallo; 20 plus 2 Peter Boyle; 9 plus 4 Kit Greench; 1 plus 7 Fab Mancinelli; 3 plus 1 Danny Beranic; 3 Ron Kremers; 3 plus 3 Steve McLelland; 1 Steve McKenna.

JUVENTUS: 26 Harry Hird; 26 Vince Bannon; 24 Gary Clayton; 23 plus 1 Pat Bannon; 22 plus 4 Graham French; 22 plus 2 Ged Bannon; 22 Billy Rogers; 21 plus 4 Kevin Lloyd; 20 plus 1 Andrew Zinni; 18 plus 2 Fab Incantalupo; 14 plus 5 Jim Nelson; 14 plus 4 Kevin Swinscoe; 10 plus 2 Rob Cullen; 2 Alex Fantoma; — plus 5 Frank Geremia; — plus 1 Tony Heery.

POLOIA: 26 Rick Liparski; 26 George Petrov; 25 Stefan Mla; 25 Mirek Smolarek; 23 plus 1 Andy Czapiak; 23 plus 1 Alex Marshall; 23 Danny McCluskey; 20 Peter Czapiak; 17 Jan Prszybyla; 16 plus 1 Brendan Lalic; 16 Leszek Zielakowski; 13 plus 5 Tad Krynski; 11 Joe Tront; 10 plus 4 Colin Quigley; 19 plus 3 Spis; 18 plus 1 Eric Young; 15 Billy Whiteside; 12 plus 3 Brian Darby; 9 plus 1 Romeo Prezioso; 8 plus 5 Tony Van Baar; 4 plus 1 Grant Smart; 3 plus 5 Tommy Leckey; 3 plus 2 Joe Plummer; 2 plus 1 Andrew Halkett; 2 Frank Bezzina; 1 Coady; — plus 2 Jack Van Baar; — plus 1 Collins.

CROATIA: 26 Keith Adams; 26 Jozo Antolovic; 26 Josip Biskic; 26 Peter Blasby; 26 Tommy Cumming; 24 plus 1 Jeff Faulkner; 24 Sean Parton; 23 plus 3 Steve Gojevic; 21 plus 1 George Hannah; 18 plus 3 Dave Brogan; 18 plus 2 Tony Curcio; 18 plus 4 Ante Bilaver; 12 plus 4 Oslie Latif; 1 plus 2 Richie McClunie; — plus 3 Drago Deankovic; — plus 2 Marti Bozic; — plus 1 Robert Markovac; — plus 1 Dennis Morovic; — plus 1 Ivan Protuder.

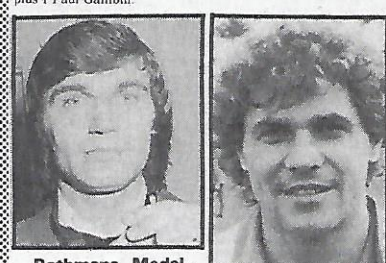
MORWELL FALCONS: 26 Jim Train; 25 Sandy Irvine; 25 Bobby McGuinness; 24 John O'Callaghan; 23 Jim MacLean; 22 plus 1 Alan Evans; 22 Noel Mitten; 21 John Higham; 20 Harry Bingham; 19 plus 1 Eric Young; 15 Billy Whiteside; 12 plus 3 Brian Darby; 9 plus 1 Romeo Prezioso; 8 plus 5 Tony Van Baar; 4 plus 1 Grant Smart; 3 plus 5 Tommy Leckey; 3 plus 2 Joe Plummer; 2 plus 1 Andrew Halkett; 2 Frank Bezzina; 1 Coady; — plus 2 Jack Van Baar; — plus 1 Collins.

NORTHCOOTE CITY: 26 Branko Culina; 26 Mark Wilson; 25 Steve Moore; 23 plus 1 Sammy Wright; 23 George Bozikis; 21 Jim Giannopoulos; 21 Jim Sahinik; 18 plus 4 Colin Quigley; 19 plus 3 Spis; 18 plus 1 Eric Young; 15 Billy Whiteside; 12 plus 3 Brian Darby; 9 plus 1 Romeo Prezioso; 8 plus 5 Tony Van Baar; 4 plus 1 Grant Smart; 3 plus 5 Tommy Leckey; 3 plus 2 Joe Plummer; 2 plus 1 Andrew Halkett; 2 Frank Bezzina; 1 Coady; — plus 2 Jack Van Baar; — plus 1 Collins.

WILHELMINA: 26 David Brooks; 23 Barry Burton; 22 plus 2 Ken Stewart; 19 plus 2 Eddie Pena; 18 plus 4 David Cork; 18 plus 3 Ron Vermiers; 18 Rick Janssen; 16 plus 3 Brian Thom; 15 plus 1 Graham Haupt; 14 Neil Garvey; 12 plus 2 Don Passmans; 11 plus 5 Craig Whyte; 10 plus 2 David De Kort; 9 plus 3 David Gibson; 9 plus 1 Joe Tront; 7 plus 4 Guy Bakker; 6 plus 1 Kevin Adams; 6 Stuart Lee; 6 David Tattersall; 3 plus 3 Brian Caddle; 3 plus 3 John Nyholt; 3 Oscar Aalrcen; 2 plus 1 Robert Lange; 2 plus 1 Gary Van Leuven; 2 Paul O'Riley; 1 plus 1 Peter Denrider; 1 plus 1 Hans Mayer; 1 Ken Barclay; 1 J. Groenwald; 1 Hank Stroes; 1 Nick Van Egmond; — plus 1 Des Shannon.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS: 25 plus 1 Peter Abraam; 25 Kris Kalifatidis; 22 Chris Bekiaris; 22 Steve Kakontsis; 21 Jim Kalambois; 20 plus 1 Peter Vardakis; 19 Angie Posticopoulou; 17 plus 3 John Kanasoulis; 14 Vlado Bozovskij; 13 plus 3 Duncan Cummings; 13 plus 2 Manuel Anezakis; 13 plus 1 Mark Turudia; 13 Mark Perree; 9 plus 2 Tony Kaiser; 7 plus 7 Greg Kassidas; 6 plus 5 John Bitsonis; 6 plus 2 Nick Van Egmond Jnr; 5 Branko Buljevic; 4 plus 2 Andrew Heap; 2 plus 4 Ahad Patsaman; 2 Ahmed Awad; 2 Steve Wooddin; 1 Jim Armstrong; 1 Doug Brown; 1 Charlie Egan; 1 Tom Patsakos; Arthur Xanthopoulos; 1 John Yzendoorn; — plus 1 Pasakos; — plus 1 Tassios.

SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS: 26 Chris Taylor; 25 Gerry Bennett; 25 Norrie Pate; 25 Steve Scerri; 24 plus 1 Roger Bain; 24 Carl Gilder; 23 Alan Contini; 23 John Stevenson; 20 Steve Richardson; 16 plus 3 Harry McKinlay; 16 Jim O'Reilly; 10 plus 5 Mick McGorran; 6 plus 2 John Campelli; 5 plus 2 Hugh McCann; 4 plus 3 Alan Kerr; 3 David Rigby; 3 Rocky Tachiris; 2 plus 1 Nick Kotevski; 2 Nick Lowe; 1 plus 2 John McNally; 1 plus 1 Jim McRobert; 1 plus 1 Steve Ellis; 1 Frank Russell; — plus 1 Paul Gambin.



Rothmans Medalist Stefan Mila (Polonia)

Joe Palinkas of Fawkner



• The Auburn youngsters who soon will tour England, had the thrill recently of meeting some of the great players the Auburn club has produced.

Back Row — from left: David Sherwin from the Tour Sponsor — Total Image; Paul Carter, Tommy McCulloch, Craig Jones, Brett Woods, Rod Brown, Slav Platinic, Robbie Slater, John McDonald.

Middle Row — Keiran Pender, Cristian Navarro, Stuart Nolan, David Bonnyman, Paul Rago, Hayden Sanson, Tony Allen, Danny Wright.

Front Row — Robert Wozniak (squad coach), Jim Adams, Stuart Coutts, Gabriel Bruno, Harry Wozniak, Michael Beky, Adam Wozniak, Denis Wright (manager).

AUBURN BOYS TO VISIT ENGLAND

Auburn (NSW) will send a youth team on a three-week tour to England, from January 1, 1984.

The tour has been arranged by Stephen's International Sports Travel. The squad consists of 11 under 13 players, one under 14 and 15 plus an U/13 representative from Coffs Harbor as well as a coach and manager.

They include: Coach: Robert Wozniak, Manager: Denis Wright, U/13 players: Hayden Sanson (Captain), David Bonnyman, Stuart Coutts, Gabriel Bruno, Michael Beky, Tony Allen, Harry Wozniak, Keiran Pender, Cristian Navarro, Danny Wright, Paul Rago; U/14: Jim Adams; U/15: Adam Wozniak, U/13 representative Stuart Nolan.

The youth squad will be based at West-erfield House, Ipswich, for two weeks and the third week will involve a bus tour of Northern England.

The players will be coached by professional coaches and First Division players at West-erfield House, which is the training headquarters of Ipswich Town Football Club.

Some of the great players the Australian boys will meet include: Craig Johnson, Pat Jennings, Kenny Dalglish, Glenn Hoddle, Bryan Robson, Billy Bonds, Kevin Keegan,

Ossie Ardiles, Trevor Francis and Norman Whiteside.

Six social games have been organised against English sides, plus a five-a-side competition.

Apart from the soccer aspect of the tour, the party will take in the boys' education aspects of the country, including the numerous sights of London, Cambridge University and other historical landmarks in England.

The funds for the tour are being raised mainly by the efforts of the 14 boys, their coach, manager and parents, with assistance from the Auburn supporters, the general business community and friends.

The securing of a major tour sponsor in the form of the Total Image Company, which specialises in food and health supplement such as the K-25 and Ultra Diet products has assisted greatly.

Auburn will once again hold its annual free Summer Coaching Clinic and 1983's clinic will be bigger and better than ever.

Run during November, on every Tuesday and Thursday, between 5.45 pm and 7.30 pm at the new Wilson park complex at Silverwater, near the Women's Prison (turn off Silverwater Road at Holker Street, then first left at Newington Road) the clinic is available, free of charge, to all boys between the age of 11 years and 16 years old.

Auburn staff coaches (headed by two-times Rothmans Medal Winner, John McDonald) will organise the coaching, with assistance from the Auburn 1st Grade players.

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MULGRAVE—THE CHAMPS

Mulgrave's championship success in the Second Division of the Victorian Amateur Leagues this year comes after just three seasons in senior competition, a remarkable feat.

The club is well known in soccer circles for the strength of its junior wing. For the past eight years Mulgrave's juniors have been a force in the Eastern Region.

Mulgrave prides itself on its multi-national composition. The average age of the senior team is 22.5 and with many youngsters coming through junior ranks, Mulgrave is looking forward to continued success.

A great club ends another great year.

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BACK ROW: Phil Cunningham (team manager), A. Ruiz, J. Skomrlj, S. Russell, G. McCole, M. Lofthouse, I. McCole, Joh Vis (coach).

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Leagues cut Rodny out

By TED SIMMONS

The president of the NSW Soccer Federation, Karel Rodny has officially resigned after holding the position for the past seven years.

Acting president Ken Ferguson announced the resignation at a special meeting of Federation clubs which had been called to consider constitutional changes to fit in with next year's National League competition.

"Mr Rodny has been an executive member for 12 years and involved in the game for the past 32 years. He proved his dedication to the NSW Federation and his resignation is a loss to all in soccer," he said.

Karel Rodny was president of two of the greatest club sides to be seen in Sydney — Prague and Hakoah — but has been under a great deal of pressure in recent months.

"There are too many people seeking power and I prefer not to be involved any more," he said today.

The special meeting agreed to change its constitution to enable the National League to take a greater part in its activities.

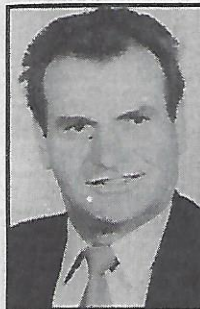
Two NSL delegates will be automatic members of the State executive which will be expanded from seven to nine and National League clubs will be entitled to three votes each under the new voting structure.

The meeting made two other major changes for next season in deciding to reduce the First and Second division state League competitions to 12 teams each and to have the federation president elected from the floor of the annual general meeting.

The two divisions this year had consisted of 14 teams each: and in the past the executive committee had elected its president.

Mr Ferguson said the decisions relating to the National League were dependent on the executive being satisfied by

Daniels stands for council



Peter Daniels

Preston Makedonia stalwart Peter Tirpku, also known by the business name Peter Daniels, will stand for Preston Council due to his concern over the lack of business and employment opportunities in the municipality.

Every day in his work, says Peter, he is aware of the number of closures of factories and business houses due to rising rates and charges levied by the authorities.

Peter, 50, real estate agent, trading under the business name Peter Daniels and Co., has been involved in the City of Preston for the last 30 years, mainly in the Central Ward.



HOWRAH... winner of the Tasmanian Rothmans League Division 1 Cup. From left, back row: Webb (coach), Cornish, Minty, First Aid Official, Conlan, Dzelalija, New (captain), P. Richardson, Manager. Front: Weitnauer, Cooper, Jennings, Williams, Corongiu, Schueler, D. Richardson.



TAROOMA-ST MIRREN... runner-up in Tasmanian Rothmans League Division 1 and in Rothmans Cup Final. Back: Richards (coach), Lickiss, B. Ross, Harrison, Hanna, Jones, Baker, Taplin, J. Ross (manager). Front: Bishop, Morrison, Davis, C. Ross, Fidler.

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IL FAWKNER HA PASSATO L'ESAME

Il Fawkner ha concluso il suo primo anno nella lega statale con un piazzamento facile da meta' classifica che torna a tutto potere della matricola. E in caso avrebbero potuto andare anche meglio se la fortuna avesse favorito un pochettino in più il club di Jules Roud.

La stagione era appena cominciata che Les Gooney, il classico libero che era il punto di forza dello schieramento difensivo, riportava un grave infortunio al ginocchio e rimaneva fuori squadra per il resto dell'anno. Senza di lui Cirkovic si trovò nella necessità, e fu un lampo di genio, di spostare al centro della difesa il lungo Tuffield che era la punta di diamante della linea difensiva azzurra.

Bastò questo incidente, e il necessario spostamento di Tuffield dal suo ruolo, per mandare a monte tutti i piani del precampionato. Il Fawkner aveva infatti cominciato il suo primo anno in lega statale con una grande fiducia nella squadra che aveva brillantemente conquistato la promozione l'anno prima ed intendeva mantenerla quasi immutata ad eccezione di qualche piccolo innesco che un po' di opportunità di mercato avrebbe procurato per poco o niente. Palinkas, per esempio, preso in prestito dal Brisbane City avrebbe dovuto aggiungere esperienza e classe ad una prima linea dove i pur brillanti An-

selma e Tuffield erano ancora troppo acerbi per i "volponti" delle difese della lega statale. Purtroppo anche Anselma subì infortuni e venne a mancare per gran parte della prima metà di campionato. Bruno Sabidussi, indubbiamente il centrocampista di maggior classe e brio, ebbe anche i suoi turni di riposo.

Il comitato ed i tecnici dovettero così correre ai ripari e cercare di rimediare la situazione con alcuni acquisti quando il mercato era quasi esaurito. Per primo arrivò Cozzella, che dopo la grande annata avuta con il JUST nel 1981, era rimasto inoperoso per molto tempo a causa di un infortunio; poi arrivò Kondarinos, anch'egli dal JUST, ma solo per dimostrare che l'allenatore McLaghlin aveva fatto bene a metterlo in lista di trasferimento. Lentamente, e quasi senza alcuna ambizione rimasti dopo la "retrocezione" in lega statale egli non diede mai l'apporto determinante che da lui ci si aspettava.

Kajile, che era stato preso per niente dal JUST si rivelò una delusione quasi completa, mentre Popovic almeno ebbe il buon senso di prendersi una quasi totale vacanza dal calcio.

Quindi degli acquisti forzati prin-

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tipalmente dagli infortuni il solo Cozzella diede una certa soddisfazione mettendo a segno un discreto bottino di reti opportunistiche. L'unica sorpresa positiva si rivelò il giovane Palmarecchiotti che dimostrò le doti di un futuro ottimo centrocampista, ma, ahimè, anche lui finì nella lista degli infortunati e mancò la maggior parte del torneo di ritorno. Sabbadini, un terzino di grande esperienza e capacità finì anche per fare molte assenze a causa di infortuni.

Però bisogna sempre ricordare che non tutti gli infortuni avvengono per incidenti e, nel caso del Fawkner di quest'anno, pensiamo che ci sia stata della dabbenaggine alla base. La squadra che aveva condotto il campionato dell'anno scorso a tambur battente dalla prima all'ul-

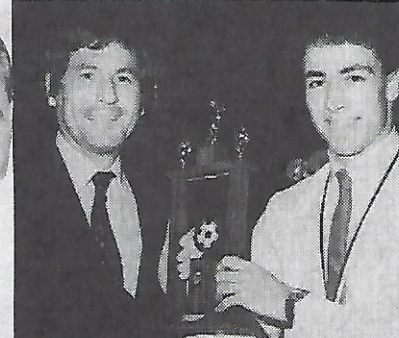
tima giornata del campionato e che meritava un sacrosanto periodo di riposo per recuperare fu gettata invece nella mischia furibonda della Coppa Italia che dal punto di vista dell'usura fisica è più dura del campionato stesso. Conquistata una Coppa Italia che ha solo un valore campionario del resto, il riposo non venne nemmeno, perché furono organizzati diversi tornei precampionato di cui la squadra avrebbe potuto fare benissimo a meno. Se quindi i giocatori del Fawkner hanno subito più incidenti di quelli di qualsiasi altra squadra della lega statale la colpa non è poi tutta della fortuna.

Dal lato della prestazioni positive che hanno permesso alla squadra di arrivare più lontano di quanto alcuni la credessero capace anche senza infortuni, bisogna far risalire quelle di Tuffield e Fattore più di ogni altro. Il primo è stato l'uomo di punta della formazione tutto l'anno, sia in attacco che in difesa, grazie alle sue grandi doti ma soprattutto per la sua immensa voglia di far bene, per l'enorme mole di lavoro che si accollava settimana dopo settimana.

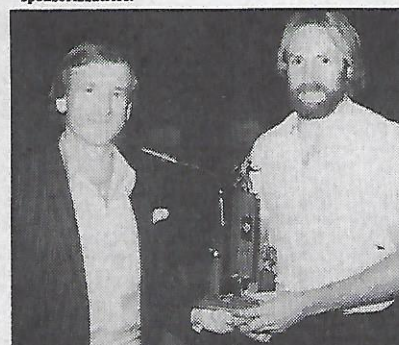
C'era stato un periodo di tempo che era apparso alquanto opaco dopo essere stato spostato di nuovo in avanti; ma quel periodo coincideva anche con il calo del centrocampista e con l'aver trovato in avanti un nuovo compagno, Cozzella, con il quale non legava. Il rientro del suo "gemello" Anselma verso la fine gli ridiede quella spalla di cui tutti i giocatori in vista hanno pur sempre bisogno.

Cesare Fattore è stato indubbiamente il giocatore che ha migliorato più di ogni altro rispetto all'anno precedente. All'inizio dell'anno gravavano su di lui delle riserve a causa della limitata esperienza, del fatto che era poco un piede e che non era tanto mobile. Invece il ragazzo venuto da Griffith e cresciuto con ogni partita e diede una dimostrazione di assoluto dominio della sua zona difensiva nel secondo incontro contro la Juventus, quando fu indubbiamente il migliore in campo e operò miracolo su miracolo per mantenere intatta la sua rete (il college Schipano però ha la buca con una sfortunata autorete). Cesare è oggi una certezza e indubbiamente continuerà a migliorare.

I due ex nazionali Palinkas e Bozakis, al contrario di Tuffield e Fattore, hanno dimostrato molto poco desiderio di far bene e molta poca inclinazione a lavorare duro costantemente. Peccato, perché di classe ed esperienza ne hanno a vendere. Cavalieri, passato al Fawkner alla Juventus con una grande voglia di rifarsi, sembra essersi perso prima ancora di ritrovarsi. I fratelli Sabidussi non hanno avuto un'annata molto feconda a causa di infortuni e febbrili ed i vari Terzini, Schipano, Sabbadini hanno fatto il loro dovere.



Andrea Zinai riceve il trofeo per «Most Improved Player» da Lino De Palma, direttore dell'Alitalia, altra ditta sponsorizzatrice.



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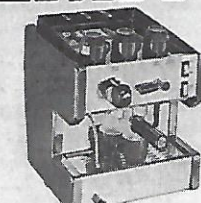
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OVERSEAS NEWS

Two recent suggestions received by FIFA HQ in Zurich are that goalkeepers should wear cricket type crash helmets and that a hooter should signal the start of matches. And where else could these suggestions come from than the USA?

Former Adelaide city guest player Justin Fashanu was sent off in the local derby between Notts Forest and Notts County when he angrily retaliated against Cloughie's Paul Hart and allegedly threatened a linesman.

Pete appears in a new comic strip adventure film called "The Young Giants". Proceeds go to rebuilding an orphan boys home in San Diego.

As Roma, the Italian champion will provide the opposition for Real Madrid when it stages a testimonial for its long-serving Spanish international defender Benito.

lan Botham, the England cricketer, is back once again in soccer with Third Division Scunthorpe United. Botham a forward, stands 6'3 ins.

Unless the majority of the side pull up their socks Aberdeen seem likely to break up the side which last season won the European Cup-Winners Cup. That's straight from manager Alex Ferguson.

Wolves, in desperate trouble near the bottom of the First Division after winning promotion last year and saved from extinction by Derek Dougan 18 months ago, may be forced to sell Scottish international striker Andy Gray who cost them over \$3 million three years ago from Aston Villa.

Gray's contract ends next summer and his reported wage demands may force Dougan to sell before rather than wait for the Tribunal to fix the fee.

Two soviet astronauts watched the Spartak Moscow v Aston Villa UEFA cup-tie as they orbited in space.

Three Scots plotted English sides to victory in the European cup-ties second round first leg games. Arthur Graham got Manchester United's winner against Spartak Varna, Colin Walsh got the winner for Notts Forest against PSV Eindhoven and Steve Archibald's double for Spurs against Johan Cruyff's Feyenoord avenged their final defeat of four years ago. All three players are Scottish internationals.

Cup draw

The draw for the third round of the English League Cup on November 7: Rotherham v Southampton, Birmingham v Notts County, Wimbledon v Oldham, Ipswich v Queens Park Rangers, Colchester v Manchester United, Tottenham v Arsenal, Norwich v Sunderland, West Ham v Brighton, Leeds v Oxford, Stoke v Huddersfield, Fulham v Liverpool, Chelsea v West Bromwich, Walsall v Shrewsbury, Preston v Sheffield, Wednesday, Aston Villa v Manchester City, Everton v Coventry.

Poland in finals

Poland beat Portugal 2-0 (half-time 1-0) in a European Under-21 championship group two match at home.

Scorers: Ryszard Tarasiewicz (18th min), Mariusz Nowakowski (61). Attendance: 10,000. Group two standings.

Poland..... 6 3 2 1 3 8
Soviet Union..... 5 1 3 1 6 5
Poland..... 4 1 3 2 5 8
Portugal..... 5 1 2 2 6 4

Poland qualifies for finals. Remaining fixture: Nov 12 - Portugal v Soviet Union.

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JUGOSLOVENSKA SCENA

PLANOVI ZA BUDUCNOST

Ovogodišnja sezona je nije završena, a već se uveliko prave planovi za sledeću. Svi govore o odmoru, a niko ga ne koristi, jer se propustilo tesko može nadoknaditi. Zbog toga, većina klubova prihvata nove obaveze pre nego što je sredila stare račune. Nigde nema više neodgovornosti nego u sportu, posebno fudbalu, gde su ambicije daleko veće od realnih mogućnosti. Činjenica je da ni jedan klub u Nacionalnoj ligi nije bez dugova, koje ne može da vrati. Da bi se pobeglo od starih gomilaju se novi dugovi, jer igrači kosta-ju sve više, a publike je sve manje. Bilo bi logično da se igračima prepolove nagrade, čak i ukini, gde nisu opravdane. Međutim, to se neće dogoditi dok ne prestane borba za prestiž pojedinaца i grupa. Moderni "tajkun" sve će učiniti da postane predsednik jednog kluba, što nije loše dok on ima novaca za bacanje. Radi sebe i svog prestiza on si stvoriti klub igrača, koji postaje ubrzo društveni centar. Bez obzira na njegove umne i moralne kvalitete, za njega neće biti tesko-ka u životu dok bude mogao da pika loptu.

Ovo pismo zbog slučaja sa Leichard/APIDOM iz Sedneja kola je osuđena da plati veliku svotu igraču, koji nije ispunio očekivanja. Kako može biti kažnjena i osuđena "non-profit" organizacija, koja služi za rekreaciju? I kako sport može biti profesija? Danas bi JUST imao dom i tribine na svom igralistu da g nisu pojeli sudovi i rupe u zakonu. Ima igrača, koji su dobili osetu za povredu i sutra dan nastavljaju da igraju. Ima takvih, koji primaju novac na po-jeenje bez potpisane ugovore, pa se posle separe, ne igraju i ne izvršavaju osnovne obave-ze. Zar sportista sme i može biti bez štita i strama? Ako zele bolju budućnost fudbalu u ovoj zemlji, klubi moraju da sarađuju međusobno. Samo zajedni-ckim snagama mogu stati za vrat ovom zlu, koje je izvišterilo sport i ljudske vrline. Zato standard stalno opada, jer nema lepote u onome što se igra bez odusevljenja.

Proširenje Nacionalne lige neće umiriti, već rasp-lamati strasti i povećati troškove svih klubova. Ukida se uvoz igrača, a na domaćem tržištu je sve manje pravih talenata. Ukoliko ih ima, oni napustaju Australiju.

METEORSKI USPON MAKEDONIJE

U Makedonijom taboru raspoloženje nije najbolje, što je sasvim razumljivo, jer su "crveno-crni" izgubi-ni naslov prvaka, koji su praktično držali u rukama najveći deo sezone. Da su se odzod popeli na treće mesto, to bi bio veliki dobitak i uspeh. Dogodilo se obrnuto. Međutim, Makedonija je za kratko vreme kao najmlađi član Nacionalne lige, postigla ogroman uspeh. U stalnom je usponu. Prve godine bila je na dvanaestom mestu, druge na petom i ove na trećem. Sa ovim timom i uslovima koje ima za rad, Makedonija samo može da nastavi sa usponom i već iduce godine da se zakiti lovorovim vencem.

"PLAVI" NA PREKRETNICI

Uprava JUSTA izjavljuje da je zadovoljna sa trene-rom, koga zeli da zadrži ako ne trazi više novaca. Bobby McLachlan nije bez ambicija, ali ipak ima oba-vezu prema klubu i predsedniku koji su mu dali sta-tili uz njega dok su trajali crni dani. On tek treba da ostvari svoju ambiciju, a to može jedino a JUST-u. Da li to može sa istim igračima ili su neophodne prirove. Ni jedan klub se nije toliko ponovio kao JUST u ovoj sezoni. Ipak, ne bi bio na odmet jos jedan izrazit stre-lac kao što je Paton. Pored toga mnogo se očekuje od Tom Karica i Slobodana Stojčevskog, ali i Pavla Sim-ica, koji mora sam da potrazi izlaz iz krize, a to će učiniti kad bude prestao da slus "dobronamerne" savete sa strane.

Očekuje se da JUST obnovi ideju izgradnje doma, koji jos uvek lebdi u oblacima pustih zelja i maste. Kada će se pronaći mogućnost za pocetak, kada sto-nice drugih problema iskršavaju svakog momenta. Fudbalski klub je bure bez dna i bez društvene pomoći može samo da tavori u mnogo nizem rangu nego što je Nacionalna liga.

Ostale aktivnosti JUSTA do kraja ove godine: Drugi tim, JUSTA i juniori ispod 16 godina igraju na Jugo turniru u Geelongu u subotu i nedelju 5/6. novembra.

U utakrac uvece 1. novembra drugi tim JUSTA igra prijateljsku utakmicu protiv East Carltona. Utak-mica se igra na JUST-ovom igralistu.

U utakrac uvece 8. novembra "Presentation Party" za igrače drugog tima i rezervu na igralistu JUSTA. Najbolji igrači i najbolji strelci dobijaju "Tony Amon Trophy".

"Skadarlijsko vece" u reziji JUSTA odrzava se u petak 11. novembra u Springvale Town Hallu. Pro-gram ce ispuniti popularni zabavljaci iz Jugoslavije Olivera Markovic i orkestar Tose Elezovica.

Junioriska zabava odrzava se u dvorani Footscray High School, Wembley Ave. Spotswood u subotu 12. novembra. Nastupaju oha JUST-ova folkloru, koji je pripremila koreograf Evica Peric. Svi juniori dobi-ju trofeje, a samopinski timovi sponzor zastavice.

"Presentation Party" za igrače Nacionalne lige odrzava se u subotu 3. decembra u prijemnom dvorani "Biljana", 67 Gamon St., Seddon.

Godisnja skupština JUSTA odrzava se u nedelju 11. decembra na igralistu JUSTA.

I na kraju DOCEK NOVE GODINE, opet na igralistu JUSTA u subotu 3. decembra.

Pocetkom decembra pcece pripreme igrača za Nocni kup, a verovatno ce se odigrati i nekoliko prijateljskih utakmica.

MALI SVETSKI KUP U MELBURNU

Uprava Knox Citya odlucila je da obnovi mali Svetski kup, koji se odrzavao u Melburnu od 1950. do 1960. godine pod imenom "Laidlaw World Cup". U po-cetku to je bilo vrlo popularno takmicenje, koje je okupljalo desetine hiljada gledalaca na Olympic Parku. Izvukli smo iz listu pobednika: 1950 Jugoslavija, 1951 Škotska, 1952 Škotska, 1953

Poljska, 1954 Čehoslovačka, 1955 Italija, 1956 Holandi-ja, 1957 Engleska, 1958 Malta, 1959 Škotska, 1960 Ital-ja.

Pored toga što je prva osvojila "Svetski kup", Ju-goslavija je pet puta bila finalist. Najpoznatiji igrači toga vremena su Rista Nikolic, Milan Plecko, Djordje Rakic, Josip Jakus, Petar Vidovic, Steven Zakoma-rok, Vlada Caldarevic, Krsta Andjelkovic, Grba Dobric, Ristic, Slobodan Alimpijevic, Ljubisa Dimitrije-jvic, Vesa Markovic i mnogi drugi.

Očekuje se da i u obnovljenom takmicenja za "Mali Svetski Kup" Jugoslavija bude favorit za osvajanje prvog mesta. Razume se, ako budu nastupili svi igrači koji su rođeni u Jugoslaviji. Da sastav bude sto bolji potrudice se Janko Kalincev, Mirko Rujevic, Josip Sterpin i Slavko Drljic.

Proslag cetvrtka uvece objavljen je izvlecenje grupa u prostorijama Knix Citya, gde su delegati 16 nacija bili lepo ugosteni.

Ucesnici su podeljeni u 4 grupe, koje izgledaju ovako:

"A" grupa — Nemacka, Južna Afrika, Jugoslavija, Poljska.

"B" grupa — Engleska, Škotska, Turska, Hispan-ja.

"C" grupa — Irska, Madjarska, Brazil, Malta.

"D" grupa — Cile, Australija, Holandija, Italija.

Po grupama igra svako sa svakim. Utakmica traje 90 minuta (2x45 minuta). Svaki tim može imati 16 igrača na spisku, ali samo dva se mogu zameniti.

Da bi se održala sportska atmosfera na dostojnoj visini predviđene su stroge kazne. Igrač, koji dobije žuti karton, ne može nastupiti na sledećoj utakmici. Ako dobije crveni karton ne može dalje igrati na ovom turniru. Kazne se, mnogo zavisi i od sudija. Nuzno je da budu elastici i pravdom.

Utakmice se igraju na dva igralista. Raspored utakmica "A" grupe:

Subota, 12.11.83, 1 p.m.
Nemacka v. Južna Afrika
Nedelja, 13.11.83, 1 p.m.
Jugoslavija v. Poljska
Subota, 19.11.83
Nemacka v. Jugoslavija
Nedelja, 20.11.83, 12.30 p.m.

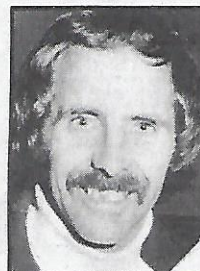
Južna Afrika v. Poljska
Subota, 26.11.83, 1 p.m.
Nemacka v. Poljska
Nedelja, 27.11.83, 1 p.m.

Samo pobednici grupa idu dalje. Sastaju se u polu-finalu, koje se igraju u subotu 3. decembra, dok se finalna utakmica igra u nedelju 4. decembra. Osigurane je veliki broj nagrada, a potporu ce pružiti i TV stanica 0/28.

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LETNJI TURNIR

Do sada su samo navijaci Zvezde, Hajduka i Partizana branili svoje omiljenih klubova preko letu u Melburnu. Ove godine konkurencija ce biti veca, jer su se oglasili i navijaci Dinama i Hajduka. Skopljance prikuplja Janko Kalincev, a "modre" navijace Stef Stancic (tel. 529 7370) i Veljko Sremac (tel. 459 9210).



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Μάλιστα θυμίζουμε και μία ομάδα μας που προσκόμισε την έβνη έπιστολή - άδεια- για να παίζει δ παίκτης από τό σωματείο που ά-νηκε και που ήταν γραμμένη έπάνω σε μία... χαρτοσακούλα.

ΚΛΙΦΤΟΝ ΧΙΛ

Λένε ότι "δν οι παίκτης τού Κλίφτον ΧΙΛ στην σαιζόν που μάς πέρασε ήταν σε καλή ου-σική κατάσταση από τίς προπονήσεις, ίσως να είχαν πάσει και τό πρωτάθλημα της Α΄ κατηγο-ρίας τού Προβίτζιουαλ Λήγκ".

Η ΟΜΑΔΑ ΤΩΝ ΚΑΛΙΤΕΧΝΩΝ

Στά σοβαρά τό πύρε ή ομάδα τών καλλιτεχνώ-νών ένώ φέτος συγκροτήθηκε για να αντιμετω-πίσει την ομάδα των δημοσιογράφων στα πλαι-σια τού Έθλινγκ φέστιβαλ, στην συνέχεια με πρωτεργάτη τόν Κώστα Μωυζοδάκη το... σκε-φθηκε καλύτερα.

Ότοι τώρα ή ομάδα όχι μόνο δίνει φιλική μάτς αλλά γίνεται ένοχρήσιμη για να παρθεί κατηγορία.

Μπράβο λοιπόν σε όλα τά παιδιά που σκέφ-τηναν ότι μία συνεργασία μέσα στα γήπεδα, θα τόλκε κάνει άδωκη καλύτερους συνεργάτες και στην δουλειά τους.

Γιά την ιστορία: την γραμματεία της ό-μάδας έχει αναλάβει δ Γιάργος Βελιτιάνος.

ΚΑΙ Η ΠΡΩΤΗ ΝΙΚΗ

Την περασμένη Κυριακή ή ομάδα τών καλλιτε-χνών ύπνευσε την ομάδα της Παθέρνας τού Τόβραν THE GREK 3-2 και κατέκτησε το κό-πελλ που είχε άδοθετηθεί.

ΑΠΟ ΤΟ ΠΟΔΟΣΦΑΙΡΟ ΣΤΟ ΡΑΓΚΗΥ

Ο Γιάργος Καρυντίνος δ γιάς τού γνωστό-παράγοντα τού ποδοφαίρου κ. Φώτη Καρυντίν-ου διευθυντή της εταιρίας "Παστέι - Κό-ρινθος" σταμάτησε λόγω σπουδών φέτος τό ποδόσφαιρο αλλά στο σχολείο τού έπαίξε με έπιτυχία στην ομάδα Ράγκνυ.

Και ή μεγαλύτερη έπιτυχία του ήταν να κη-θεί στην Μικτή Βικτωρίας Ράγκνυ κάτω τών 18 έτών.

Μπράβο Γιάργο... μόνο που θέλουμε να σε ζαλονοούμε με την φανέλλα της Έλλάς στην όποια φυσικά άνηκεις.

ΤΙ ΕΡΧΕΤΑΙ... ΑΛΛΑ ΤΙ ΕΚΑΝΕ

Γραφικότατος είναι ένας πρόην παράγων τού Μέγα με τά καμπατά του.

Όταν ήταν έξω από τό Δ.Συμβούλιο προ-σκόμισε να κάνει ζημιά στον πρόεδρο κ. Γκού-λπουλο και δέν συμφωνούσε με τίποτα.

Άγερε δέ στον κήλο του "δν άν έμπαίμε μία μέρα μέσα στο Συμβούλιο τού Μέγα, θα έ-βαζε στη θέση του τόν... πρόεδρο".

Τελικά μπήκε στο Δ.Συμβούλιο αλλά έμει-νε στα λόγια γιατί δέν έλπιουμε ποτέ να θε-σει την φωνή του στον κ. Γκούλπουλο.

Ότοι τό ύπό του τού έμεινε ήταν να πα-ραιτηθεί.

Τώρα άπό άπ' έτε άρχισε πάλι τό ίδιο το-κάνει με την διαφορά ότι είναι άρνητικό και άούτο που γελάνε με τό παθμια του.

ΒΑΡΕΦΛΑΜΕ ΙΑΝΟΝ ΤΟΝ ΙΑΙΟ ΔΙΕΚΟ

Ήπιτέλους καλά που ένώθηκε με μισρή μας ομάδα με άλλον σύλλογο για να πάσουν πλέον οι έπεθενονοι που την είχαν να κληθόνται πώς είναι μόνιμα γραμμένοι στην τρέπεια κι ότι πληρώνουν συνεχώς κάποιον - πιθονότατα - ναυαγιστικό δάνειο.

Χρόνια τώρα τό ίδιο βιολί και δ ίδιος δέ-σνος που άσφαλώς πάλαισε.

Καιρός ήταν να την άσφουση την ομάδα σε άλλα χέρια και τούλάχιστο να ήσυχάσουν οι έβιοι από τά χρέη.

Αλλά για ποιά χρέη μιλάμε ή στιγμή κα-τά την όποια οι παίκτης πρέπει να πάρουν χρώματα από την σαιζόν τού 1983.



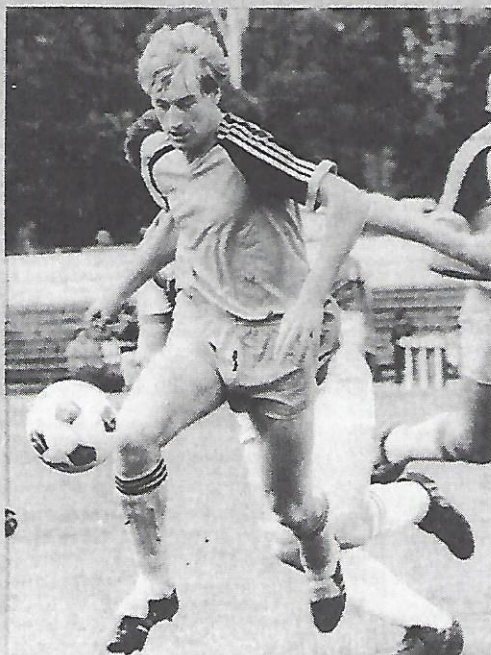
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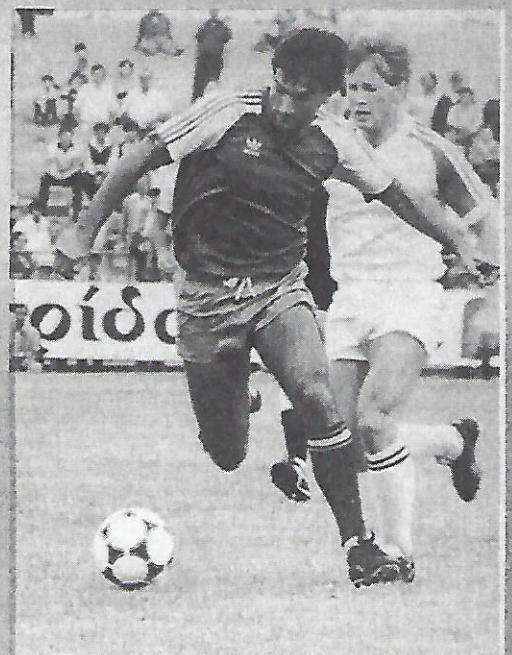
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